

CRIME BUSTERS

In England, Video Cop on Patrol In Russia, a Show About Force

brick police headquarters of this placid Middle England market town, Sergeant Peter Thompson flips on his video recorder to demonstrate a high-technology crime-fighting system that is the stuff of paranoid science fiction — and, it appears, a model for Brit-

On Sergeant Thompson's black-and-white monitor, a lone woman walks nervously in the town center just before midnight. Two teenagers in leather jackets and Mohawk haircuts stalk her. One of the teens shatters a shop window with his boot, snaps the aerial off a car, turns over a garbage can, pulls a piece of fried chicken from the refuse and chomps on it as the woman looks on in alarm.

"That's the quality of yob we've got in this town!"
Sergeant Thompson cackled in disgust as he watched,
using the English term for a teenage thug.
But fear not. Suddenly, two policemen rush from

out of camera range, intercept the ruffians, wrestle the troublemaker under control and assure the woman she can go on her way.

That videotaped arrest is but one of hundreds made since 1992 with the aid of a video surveillance KING'S LYNN, England - Inside the winged, system that allows the King's Lynn police to peer with cameras into the nooks and crannies of their town's public spaces, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 52 weeks a year.

Besides generating on-the-spot arrests, such perva-sive video surveillance has slashed property crime in the town center, saving hundreds of thousands of dollars in insurance losses.

The King's Lynn system is the most advanced example of a trend sweeping Britain. Rattled by rising street crime and unrestrained by a written constitution or an enshrined right to privacy, at least 300 towns and counties around the country have installed or are planning pervasive video surveillance of public spaces to catch and deter criminals, according to Photo-Scan Ltd., a leading installer.

The market for such systems in Britain has quadrupled since 1989 to more than \$200 million a year, according to the British Security Industry Associa-

tion.
The Home Office, which oversees Britain's police, See CAMERAS, Page 5

By Michael Specter Vew York Times Service

LYUBERTSY, Russia - The day started early with riot troops in black masks storming a bank and freeing six hostages. Soon after, paratroops dropped

into a blazing house to capture three terrorists.

Then men in combat gear ran a gauntlet — each carrying a moneybag in one hand and an automatic weapon in the other. Land Rovers dodged grenades. Sharpshooters fired from speeding cars at bank robbers. And all the while a popular band played blues in the background.

Those ugly events, and many more like them, were part of "Kriminal Show 94," the first public demonstration of the increasing might of Russia's private security forces.

Sponsored by nearly a dozen major banks, the competition was held in the woods of this city near Moscow, which has become famous for spawning one of the world's most aggressive Malia gangs, as the Russians call them. Crowded with spectators who came with their own bodyguards, "Kriminal Show 94" was as much a sign of the times in Russia as Snickers bars, casinos or BMWs.

No business of any kind that has large amounts of cash lying around can afford to operate without full, visible and heavily armed protectors in most major cities. Until recently, the majority of camouflage-clad security guards were hardly a match for the criminals. But if the sponsors of "Kriminal Show 94" have their

way, that will change.
"With the Yeltsin anti-crime decree, all organizations that try to stop criminals have increased their vigilance," said Valeri A. Shishkin, a senior official at one of Moscow's many new private security compa-nies. Mr. Shishkin served as chief "umpire" for the competition.

"Normal people can't live quietly anymore," he said, standing before the prizes for the best teams, an array of high-technology weapons. "We want to show that the government is not the only group that can help protect Russian citizens."

Private companies have started to compete with the police for many reasons: The Russian police are often poorly trained and are notoriously underpaid. They have provided little challenge to the mob. But this is dangerous new ground for Russia. In

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Syrians Hope To Sign Deal With Israel by End of Year

New York Times Service

SHANNON, Ireland - American diplomats said Tuesday that President Hafez Assad of Syria still hoped to sign a peace agreement with Israel by the end of the year, a goal that has also been set by President Bill Clinton.

A senior administration official traveling with Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Mr. Assad had told the secretary that he still wanted to meet the objective he announced in January of achieving peace with Israel this year - a goal that many Middle East experts thought had slipped because of the slow pace of the peace talks.

In his most detailed comments vet about the Syrian-Israeli talks. Mr. Christopher spoke of slow but steady progress that was natd to describe in de involved so many intricate, interlocking

In a news conference aboard his plane on route from Israel to a refueling stop in Ireland, Mr. Christopher added that the two sides "were not utterly self-absorbed." They were thinking about what the

needs of the other party were," he said. From Mr. Christopher's remarks, it became clear that the early stages of the indirect peace talks were over, and that Israel and Syria had begun probing each other to determine what the other's bottom line was - which issues were most important to the other side, and on which issues the other side might be most willing to compromise.

Mr. Christopher and his aides indicated that the two sides had stopped playing a psychological game in which each dug in and insisted the other make the first con-

Mr. Christopher, who was in Damascus and Jerusalem three weeks ago, said: "I felt my last trip had removed some of the major psychological barriers. There was less testing between the parties and more down-to-earth discussion.

"I found in this conversation there was a very conscientious searching on both sides as to the needs of the other parties." American officials have often said the See SYRIA, Page 5



FOREST OF ASHES - Residents of California's Garden Valley and Kelsey areas, near Placerville in the Sierra Nevada footbills, surveying fire damage.

Economic News Is Good, but Not Necessarily for Clinton

By Richard Morin

WASHINGTON - A booming economy has proved to be a political bust for President Bill Clinton, whose popularity continues to founder despite continued good economic news, according to the lat-

est Washington Post/ABC News poll.

Mr. Clinton's overall job approval rating stood at 47 percent in the latest survey, down from 56 percent just four months

viewed said they approved of the job that Mr. Clinton has done handling the economy, a rating that has remained largely unchanged over the last 10 months despite good news on the deficit, inflation, jobs

That is not the only bad news in the survey for the administration. Fewer than four in 10 Americans approve of Mr. Clinton's handling of foreign affairs, and just

ago. And fewer than half of those inter- half expect Mr. Clinton and Congress to make significant improvements in the na-tion's health-care system.

Even the good news is not that good. Most Americans think Whitewater is not an important issue. But nearly half of those surveyed think the president did something wrong in connection with Whitewater, even if many are not sure exactly what, and a majority suspect that

some of his senior staffers erred. With so many things appearing to be

going wrong, it is understandable that Mr. Clinton and his supporters are dismayed that he does not get more credit for one

thing that is going right: the economy. "It is truly staggering the mismatch between the public perceptions of the government and the administration's handling of the economy and the objective news on the economy," said Thomas E. Mann, director of governmental studies at the

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U.S. Signals Possible End To Trade Ban On Belgrade

Christopher Sees Move To Close Bosnia Border As 'Partially Effective'

> By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service

SHANNON, Ireland - Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Tuesday that he would consider easing the trade embargo against Serbia if its five-day-old decision to cut off trade with Bosnia's Serbs proves effective.

Praising Belgrade's announcement that it was closing its border as a way of pressuring the Bosnian Serbs to accept a peace plan, Mr. Christopher told reporters that Serbia's move "has been at least partially effective."

But he said that more time would be needed to determine whether Serbia was strictly enforcing the announcement that President Slobodon Milosevic made last Thursday to close Serbia's border with Bosnia, except for food and medicine.

In recent months, the United States has been far more resistant than the European powers and Russia to the idea of easing the trade sanctions against Serbia. At the same time, the White House, prodded by Congress, has hinted it would push to lift the arms embargo that is squeezing Bosnia's Muslims.

The Bosnian Serbs have rejected the peace plan, and their leader, Radovan Karadzic, has vowed to fight on, even though Serbia has turned back hundreds of trucks seeking to cross into Bosnia.

Talking to reporters aboard his plane en route from Israel to a refueling stop in Ireland, Mr. Christopher said, "If there is a substantial period of enforcement of the intention that was expressed, if the border was effectively closed and if the Bosnian Serbs seem to be deprived of important aid in war-making materials, there clearly would be a case for an easing of the sanc-

Mr. Christopher added, "I'll not be one of the first to advocate that. I'd want to see a lot of solid evidence.'

Generous logistic support from Serbia. factor behind the Bosnian Serbs' ability to capture 72 percent of Bosnia.

The secretary of state sounded like other Western officials who fear that the latest promise to close the border could prove a hollow public relations gesture.

"It will take some time to assess fully whether the closure of the border is effective," Mr. Christopher said. "It's a long border with a number of crossing points. All I can say is there are some encouraging early indications. But we will be very cautious before we express our final evalua-

Eager to have the embargo lifted, Mr. Milosevic ordered the border closure to signal to the United States and other major powers that Serbia wants peace and backs their efforts to pressure the Bosnian Serbs to accept the peace plan. Under the plan. formulated by the major powers, the Bosnian Serbs would receive 49 percent of Bosnia, while the Muslim-Croatian alliance would get 51 percent.

In July, Mr. Christopher and the foreign

ministers of Britain. France, Germany and Russia threatened to move to tighten the embargo on Serbia within two weeks if it did not support the peace plan.

Daniel Williams of The Washington Post reported earlier from Washington: Under a measure being worked out with

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France Widens Clampdown Against Algerian Militants

PARIS — France banned five Islamist publications on Tuesday and detained 36 more people after a third night of police roadblocks in Paris in a widening clampdown on Algerian Muslim fundamental-An Interior Ministry order published in

the Official Journal on Tuesday outlawed five foreign periodicals accused of containing incitement to terrorism against France. The crackdown was set off by the killing of five French officials by Islamic guerillas in Algiers last week, which led the government to intern without trial 17 sus-

pected Algerian fundamentalists.

The military wing of the Islamic Salva-tion Front, outlawed in Algeria, has threat-ened to retaliate unless France frees the

ister Charles Pasqua said the five periodi-cals, published in French or Arabic, were barred from distribution, circulation and

"Their distribution could endanger pub-lic order because of their violently anti-Western and anti-French tone and the calls for terrorism which they contain," it

The papers were identified as Al Ansar,

By Tim Weiner

New York Times Service

intelligence committee say they were shocked to find

that a huge new spy satellite headquarters under construction outside Washington would cost \$350

million. They say the Pentagon and Central Intelli-

"You've got to see it to believe it," said Senator

John Warner of Virginia, the ranking Republican on the committee. "I was absolutely astonished at the

The project in question is a 1-million-square-foot

complex near Chantilly, Virginia, close to Dulles In-

ternational Airport, being built to house about 3,000

magnitude and the proportions of this structure."

project from them.

WASHINGTON - Senior members of the Senate

published in Warsaw by "supporters of jihad or holy war in Algeria and elsewhere," Al Ribat, Al Jihad, Al Fatah al Moubine and Front Islamiste du Salut.

The Paris police said 36 people were detained during a third successive night of spot checks on vehicles and pedestrians in railway stations, airports and key intersections in the capital.

The latest arrests took to 109 the number of people held for possible prosecution

Altogether, 2,777 people and 1,434 vehi-

al of those detained were foreigners held because of irregularities in their papers. On Monday, an Algerian-born science

student was placed under investigation and remanded in custody after being arrested collecting an arms cache from a locker at a suburban Paris supermarket. The police said he was wanted in connection with a post office hold-up in the Rouen area last month. There was no sug-

gestion that the incident was politically motivated. More than 4,000 Algerians have been killed in worsening civil strife since the

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Kiosk

Craxi Will Appeal to European Court

PARIS (Reuters) — The disgraced former Italian prime minister Bettino Craxi, sentenced to 81/2 years in prison for fraud last month, vowed in a letter published on Tuesday to appeal to the European Court of Human Rights.

Mr. Craxi, who has refused to return to Italy and is believed to be living at his vacation home in Tunisia, wrote to the French newspaper Le Monde. In the letter, he asserted that he had been convicted of offenses going back 14

covered by the statute of limitations. "In no way do I intend to give up. I am preparing now to denounce my accusers and my judges for grave viola-tions of the law which they committed deliberately and to go to the Italian appeal court and the European Court in

Strasbourg," he wrote. Related Article, Page 5

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Cost of Secretly Funded Spy Site Leaves Senators Publicly Dismayed

secret intelligence agency. [President Bill Clinton ordered Tuesday a full investigation into the construction of a secret \$310 million spy complex in Virginia and directed that the project

declassified, Reuters reported from Washington. Mr. Clinton ordered the director of Central Intelligence Agency had concealed the full expense of the gence, R. James Woolsey, and the deputy defense socretary, John Deutch, to determine why Congress was not fully informed of the scope and cost of the complex being constructed in nearby Chantilly, Virginia.]

The existence of the National Reconnaissance Office was a state secret until late 1992, and almost nothing is known about it, other than its mission of building the nation's spy satellites. Its annual budget. secretly appropriated, buried within the Pentagon's accounts in the so-called "black budget" and never contractors and government workers employed by the publicly disclosed, has been estimated at \$6 billion. or

National Reconnaissance Office, the nation's most about three times the budget of the entire State Department.

It appears that the new complex was buried so deeply and concealed so successfully that the ranking members of the Senate intelligence committee were, in their words, "shocked and dismayed to learn" its real cost. They now say that the true sum was "never effectively disclosed to our committee."

Martin C. Faga, director of the National Reconnaissance Office from September 1989 to March 1993. said: "It was a stealthy course, of course - purposefully so. But that was a reason why it was discussed in detail with the intelligence committee." Almost all of the briefings given to the Senate and House intelligence committees take place in secret.

"I don't think there's any doubt the committee knew the facility was being built," Mr. Faga said in an interview. "We briefed them in '90, '91, '92. But that

doesn't mean the committee understood what it was going to cost. These are complex projects, It's perfecty plausible that folks were looking at pieces of the budget, not looking at other pieces, not seeing that there's an aggregate cost there. I can easily imagine that they did not recognize what was going on.

The handful of private analysts who try to track the National Reconnaissance Office and its satellites ex-

pressed astonishment at the committee's outcry. "There's a third of a billion-dollar puzzle palace out there in Virginia and nobody noticed?" said John Pike, director of space policy at the Federation of American Scientists. "What we have here is a failure to

The National Reconnaissance Office complex was begun in 1990 and is scheduled to be completed in

Burundi's Capital Shut for Second Day

15 Die in Clashes as Envoys Fear a Repeat of Rwanda

BUJUMBURA, Burundi — Strikes and clashes shut down Burundi's capital, Bujumbura, for a second day Tuesday, and authorities stepped up security as diplomats feared the country may follow neighbouring Rwanda down the path to con-

At least 15 people have been killed in Burundi in two days of clashes involving youths of the minority Tutsi tribe.

Aid officials warned that their operations to help refugees in southwest Rwanda and eastern Zaire might be affected unless the security situation im-

A strike called by opposition groups and clashes by Tutsi protesting the arrest of their leaders brought Bujumbura to a complete halt, witnesses said.

The government stepped up security, deploying hundreds of soldiers and policemen in the city center. Youths set up barricades with burning tires on roads downtown. The unrest was set off by the

arrest of the opposition politician Mathias Hitimana, leader of the Tutsi-led Party for the Reconciliation of the People. Witnesses said scores of people were wounded in the clashes

that began Sunday and continued the next day. They counted 15 people killed. Bujumbura was calm Tues-

day but markets, banks and shops were closed. Burundi has the same ethnic

mix as Rwanda: majority Hutu, minority Tutsi. Burundi's Tutsi leadership was gradually yielding power to the Hutu over the last few years but renegade Tutsi soldiers murdered the country's first Hutu president, Melchior Nda-

daye, last October. His successor, Cyprien Ntar-yamira, also a Hutu, was killed in a plane crash with the Rwandan military strongman Juvénal Habyarimana, in the Rwandan capital, Kigali, on April 6.

■ New Violence Possible

Barry James of the Interna-tional Herald Tribune reported earlier from Paris:

Human-rights monitors and aid workers fear Burundi could also dissolve into violence, particularly if the withdrawal of French troops from the security zone they have established in southwestern Rwanda is followed by a flight of Hutu refugees across the border into Bu-

After assassinating Mr. Ndadaye, Tutsi troops carried out a campaign of repression against Hutu civilians, according to a recent report by a commission of inquiry set up by Human

CBS Newsman Gets Cholera

NEW YORK - A CBS newsman who helped save a Rwandan boy stricken with cholera caught the disease from him and had to be treated in a hospital, the network said.

CBS News said its medical correspondent, Dr. Bob Arnot, got the disease several days after rescuing a 7-year-old boy outside Goma, Zaire, in late July. The boy had been left for

Dr. Arnot said he contracted the disease by picking the youth up and taking him to a hospital, where he administered rehydration therapy. The boy was re-leased after several days.

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The army and police used excessive and unecessary force. including heavy machine guns of 14.5-milimeter and 20-milimeter canons, armored vehicles and helicopters against a civilian population that was usually trying only to flee or to protect itself," the report said.

About 50,000 people were killed, either by the army or in ethnic massacres and reprisals.

The commission of inquiry discovered that much of Burundi had been turned into a wasteland, abandoned by the popula-tion and guarded by heavily armed troops. Towns were destroyed and pillaged. Forests were burned to smoke out refugees. Schools, prisons and other communal buildings had been used to carry out mass executions and massacres.

The commission said the army had recruited civilians, including high school students, to take part in the killing and pillaging. As in Rwanda, "rumor and myth were used to incite people to kill or justify their killings."

Since the assassination, the commission added, "no effective investigations or prosecutions have been undertaken to bring to justice those guilty of these massive human rights vio-



REMEMBERING THE BLAST — Girls offering a prayer for atomic bomb victims at Nagasaki Cathedral on Tuesday, the 49th anniversary of the city's bombing.

UN Wary of New Exodus From Rwanda

ROME —Up to 2 million more refugees could flee Rwanda if United Nations peacekeeping troops are not ready to take over when French forces withdraw in two weeks' time, a senior UN official said

The undersecretary-general for humanitarian affairs, Peter Hansen, called on UN members to be ready to take over when 1,200 French soldiers withdraw from the central African state on Aug. 22, when their two-month mandate expires. If the international community is not

ready to put its actions where its words are and prevent a breakdown of the situation in the southwest," Mr. Hansen said, "it would create a vacuum that would lead to

"We could very well see an outflow of between 1 and 2 million displaced people Zaire, he said in Rome.

The French Foreign Ministry rebuffed renewed calls from the United Nations to delay its withdrawal.

"Our position remains as it was expressed by the prime minister in Goma," a ministry official said. "Conforming to our mandate under Security Council Resolution 929, we will withdraw by Aug. 22." Nearly a million refugees fled across the

border to Goma in eastern Zaire three weeks ago. Only a trickle bave returned since the victory of the mainly Tutsi Rwanda Patriotic Front in three months of civil

Hundreds of thousands of Hutu, whose kinsmen have been widely blamed for the massacres of 500,000 Tutsi citizens and Hutu opponents of the ousted govern-

oing across the border into Bukavu," ment, are sheltering in French-patrolled saire, he said in Rome. ment, are sheltering in French-patrolled safe havens in southwestern Rwanda.

■ 'A New Worry': Typhus

The United Nations warned Tuesday of a possible typhus epidemic in a refugee camp for Rwandans in Zaire after 19 persons died with symptoms similar to those of the highly infectious disease. Agence France-Presse reported from Geneva.

"We have a new worry," Sylvana Foa, spokeswoman for the UN High Commissioner for Refugees, said in describing the situation in the Muguna refugee camp,

"There are about 30 patients in hospital this week who have high fever, red eyes, neurological symptoms that are evidently symptoms of typhus," she said. Nineteen of the patients have already died.

Oil Union Steps Up Campaign In Nigeria

LAGOS — Nigeria's main striking oil workers union said Tuesday that it was stepping up its campaign to halt crude oil production and exports to force army rulers to hand over power to the detained presidential claimant Moshood K. O. Abiola.

"We are intensifying our campaign to stop crude oil production," said Wariebe Agamene, national president of the National Union of Petroleum and Natural Gas Workers: "We don't want money to come in into the pockets of the military junta."

He gave no details of his union's plans. "We cannot reveal our strategy," he said.
The 150,000-strong union be-

gan the strike July 4 to demand the release of Mr. Abiola, widely believed to have won last year's annulled presidential election. The union is also seeking his installation as president of Nigeria. A 50,000-strong white-collar oil workers' union, Pengassan, joined the strike two weeks later.

The strike has disrupted domestic fuel supplies, hitting transport and business activity, and industry sources say it has cut crude oil production by at least 25 percent.

Mr. Abiola was arrested in June and charged with treason for declaring himself president. Officials of both unions say their members are prepared for

a long strike.
"We are going to stay out for as long as the government refuses to swear in the acclaimed winner of the June 12 election," Mr. Agamene said.

Besides the industrial action, prodemocracy protests have shaken parts of the country and human rights groups say up to 100 people have been killed, es-pecially in Mr. Abiola's southvest Yoruba region, including

agos.
The National Democratic Coalition alliance backing Mr. Abiola called a temporary halt to protests in Lagos after clashes between Yoruba youths and Igbo traders raised fears that the crisis could degenerate into ethnic violence.

The youths were trying to force Igbo traders, from the east, to close their stores in solidarity with the protests.

WORLD BRIEFS

Argentina Won't Cut Ties With Iran

BUENOS AIRES (Renters) — Argentina said Tuesday that it would not sever ties with Iran even if Iranian diplomats were found to be involved in the July 18 bomb attack that killed nearly 100 people at the offices of the country's main Jewish groups. If the judge investigating the bombing has proof involving diplomats, the diplomats will be expelled but relations will not be broken, Foreign Minister Guido di Tella and Defense Minister Oscar Camilion said. Oscar Camilion said.

Mr. Camilion said any diplomatic measures taken in a hurry could backfire. "You can't cut diplomatic relations as a reaction,

German Charged in HIV Blood Case

GOTTINGEN. Germany (AFP) — A German court has charged the head of a laboratory with murder for failing to test HIV-infected blood used later by patients who subsequently died of the AIDS virus.

The prosecution said Monday that the 54-year-old man, whose name was not divulged, marketed blood products said to be "safe" although he had not tested the blood of a donor, in 1986 and 1987,

who proved to be HIV-positive.

Five people became HIV-positive after receiving transfusions of blood obtained from the laboratory, and three of them have died. Investigators found that the laboratory tested only a small proportion of its blood products before putting them on the

Simpson Case Seeks to Cool Publicity

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Both sides in the O. J. Simpson murder case sought Tuesday to clamp down on pretrial publicity, agreeing to discuss privately the contents of a mysterious yellow envelope and to keep secret Nicole Brown Simpson's medical

During an evidentiary hearing, Mr. Simpson appeared concerned about the publicity, shaking his head as a lawyer argued that reporters should be able to view police photos of the victims. After the hearing, attorneys for both sides met with a judge behind closed doors to discuss the still-secret contents of the nvelope. A deputy district attorney, Marcia Clark, said a public hearing on the evidence would be unfair to Mr. Simpson. The chief defense attorney, Robert Shapiro, agreed.

Angolan Sides Sign Procedural Pact

LUSAKA, Zambia (Remers) — Angolan government negotia-tors signed an 11-point procedural agreement with UNITA rebels on Tuesday but questions of power-sharing still stand in the way

of a peace pact.

A UNITA spokesman, Jorge Valentim, and a government spokesman, Caneira Higino, said they were adopting the procedural accord on the modalities on national reconciliation before moving on to the next item on the agenda: the security of UNITA

"We are not signing an agreement on national reconciliation," said Mr. Valentim, "There are other issues still pending before a full agreement can be reached on national reconciliation." Details of the 11-point agreement were not made public.

TRAVEL UPDATE

Air Discounts Rise Sharply in U.S.

WASHINGTON (WP) — The lower fares that airlines are charging will apply to almost two-thirds of all flights of less than 1,000 miles by the end of this year, according to a study by the American Express Airfare Management Unit.

American Express Airfare Management Unit.

The number of discounts represents a huge increase in a relatively short period of time; only 27 percent of such flights had low fares in June 1993, but 47 percent were covered this past June. Low fares are defined by American Express as at least 70 percent less than previously prevailing full coach fares.

The most dramatic increase in low fares—those available to any passenger at any time—came with the introduction of the low-cost, low-fare phenomenon along the Eastern seaboard last year. These fares differ from the "sales" airlines often advertise in that they do not require advence purchase or carry other restrictions.

that they do not require advance purchase or carry other restrictions. For example, between June 1993 and June 1994, the average price of all tickets between Baltimore-Washington International and Atlanta dropped from \$179 to \$153, and the typically higher fare charged business travelers dropped from \$249 to \$169. South Africa said armed bandits were terrorizing tourists and

other travelers along main routes to neighboring Mozambique. A Foreign Affairs official advised people to travel only in convoys, saying bandits were setting up roadblocks, demanding money and sometimes shooting at those using the roads. (Reuters) Scattered brushfires set by arsonists in Corsica forced hundreds

of people to flee homes and campgrounds Tuesday. The wind-driven fires destroyed two homes and nearly 1,000 hectares (2.500 acres) of brush in the southern corner of the French island in the

British Midland Airline said it would start a four times daily service between London Heathrow and Paris Orly, taking advantage of recently granted access rights into France. British tour operators will resume charter flights to Gambia on Aug. 23, a month after the country's military coup.

AIDS Scientists Returning to Basics As Search for New Drugs Hits Snags

By Andrew Pollack

more about how the clusive virus destroys the body's immune on the body. system, scientists at the 10th

Dr. William E. Paul, the reresearch in the United States, federal funding for what he called the "revitalization and drugs by making the drug-testing efforts more efficient.

In a speech here outlining his new research agenda, Dr. Paul said that the "current inadequacy" of treatments for AIDS and lack of a vaccine are "largely due to the wide gaps in our understanding" of the disease.

"If we do not provide innovative scientists with the resources and opportunities to attack the basic unsolved problems relat-ed to AIDS and HIV, we may find that a decade from now we are no further along in our struggle," he said.

The back-to-the-scientificdrawing-board theme is also ev-

ident in the hallways and audi-toriums of the conference. The greatest interest is being paid YOKOHAMA, Japan — greatest interest is being paid With efforts to develop new not to potential new drugs or drugs and vaccines for AIDS vaccines, but to the findings of running into obstacles, scien- researchers who are unlocking, tists are being forced to return painstaking step by painstaking to basic research to discover more about how the elusive vi-

Of particular interest here are International Conference on AIDS said here Tuesday. studies of a seemingly mysterious group, representing about 5 to 10 percent of those infected cently appointed head of AIDS by HIV, who have been able to live for 12 years or longer after said that he will provide more infection while remaining

healthy. Scientists hope that these soexpansion" of basic research on called long-term nonprogres-AIDS. To find the money, he sors, who can delay and possisaid he would trim spending on bly even avert what until now clinical trials of potential new has been considered a certain death sentence, will hold the clues as to how AIDS works and and how it can be stopped.

So far the research is at an carly stage, merely trying to answer the question of whether the nonprogressors are somewhat different from other people or whether they are infected with a different type of virus. The answer may be both, David D. Ho, director of the Aar-

on Diamond AIDS Research Center for the City of New York, said Tuesday. Long-term nonprogressors he studied had a strongly protective immune response against the AIDS virus. But they also seemed to be infected with weak viruses. Scientists often say they have learned more about AIDS more quickly than about any other disease. Now they are realizing their knowledge is still not very

AIDS activists, too, have changed their tune. In the mid-1980s they began pressing for more money and effort to be spent on treatments, even at the expense of long-term research. But now, some activist

groups are once again pushing for more fundamental research. Explaining the shift, Mark Harrington of the Treatment Action Group in New York said that in the mid- to late-1980s there was a desperate need for some treatment, leading to the impatience of those with AIDS.

Now, however, there are four approved drugs for AIDS in the United States, removing the im-mediate crisis. At the same time, the shortcomings of AZT and the three other drugs have become obvious. They do not cure the disease and lose their effectiveness after a year or two.

Egypt Population on Rise

CAIRO — Egypt's popula-tion of 59 million will rise to 64

Pilgrims at Spanish Shrine Refuse To Let Donations Go to Rwandans

GRANADA, Spain — About 3,000 pilgrims at the shrine of Saint Cayetano in Jolucar staged a protest and refused to let the priest donate their collection money to Rwandan refugees, according to El País, the Madrid daily.

Facing cries of "We need the money more than they do!" and "It's not going to blacks!" the priest suspended Mass at the shrine on Sunday. "It's useless to give Mass to people who will not behave as Christians," he said later.

Worshippers, who pin banknotes on the saint's robes during the annual pilgrimage to Jolucar, on Spain's southern coast, had donated 700,000 pesetas (\$5,000).

India Settles on Middle Course in Kashmir

By John F. Burns

NEW DELHI - The Indian government has followed a decision to pull its troops back from the holiest Muslim shrine in Indian-controlled Kashmir with a decision to extend for six more months the powers under which it rules the disputed territory.

Senior Indian officials said the two moves reflected the problem facing the government of Prime Minister P. V. Narasimha Rao after four years of insurgency by Muslim militants in Kashmir.

With divisions among his top advisers on the balance to be struck between seeking a military victory and a political settle-ment, Mr. Rao has apparently settled on a

In deciding Monday to extend the emermillion in the next six years, the gency powers, the Rao cabinet in effect Central Agency for Public Mo- acknowledged that the prime minister's bilization and Statistics said hopes of starting what Indian officials call a "political process" in Kashmir, leading

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to elections for a territorial government, have been deferred.

Earlier this year, Mr. Rao's advisers said they hoped the process could be begun by the fall, but attacks by the militants have forced the government to set back its time-

table until next spring, at the earliest.

Pakistan provides arms and money for several of the main insurgent groups and runs training camps in the Pakistan-con-trolled part of Kashmir.

Indian officials had hoped that Pakistan might lessen tensions by quietly cutting back on support for the groups, several of which have said they are fighting for the reunification of Kashmir as part of Pakistan. But in recent weeks, Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pakistan has visited Pakistan-centrolled Kashmir and strongly re-

iterated support for the insurgency. Relations between New Delhi and Islamabad have been further shaken by incidents in which diplomats of the two countries are said to have been roughed up by police officers.

Also, India announced over the week-end that it had arrested Abdul Rajak Memon, a Bombay-born Muslim with strong links to Lakistan. He is said to be a leading suspect in March 1993 bombings that killed more than 250 people in Bombay.

A flurry of optimism over Kashmir was stirred over the weekend, when Indian troops completed their pullback from 13 sandbagged bunkers that ringed the Haz-ratbal Mosque in Srinagar, the summer capital of the state India calls Jammu and Kashmir. Muslims marched in celebration through the city after senior Indian officials joined Muslim religious leaders in ceremonies that reopened the mosque to

Indian troops surrounded the shrine last fall, asserting that militant Muslim leaders had taken refuge and stored arms there. The standoff ended without violence when the militants surrendered after Indian officials pledged that they would subsequently be released.

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Officer Dies In a Ship Hijacking In Cuba

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches MIAMI — A Cuban Navy licutenant was killed in the hijacking of a vessel docked in the port of Mariel, and four sailors were forced off the ship, a Cuban diplomat said Tuesday.

The hijacking came at a time of high U.S.-Cuban tensions, after President Fidel Castro's renewal of a threat to flood the United States with Cuban immigrants unless Washington changed its policy on accepting

His threat had Florida officials planning a statewide drill to prepare for a potential immigration emergency. Governor Lawton Chiles said state agencies would rehearse the state's emergency refugee plan on

Thirteen members of Florida's congressional delegation met on Tuesday in Washington with State Department officials seeking greater protection of the Florida coast. The whole thing is going to take a large military and Coast Guard presence in order to blockade the yachts and boats from going out," said Representative Clay

Shaw Jr., a Republican. Florida officials were caught off guard by the 1980 Mariel boatlift, when about 125,000 Cuban refugees, many of them mental patients or freed criminals, arrived in Florida over a period of several months.

After Mr. Castro's threats, American officials said they were prepared to block any new exodus of Cuban refugees, and the State Department said it would not tolerate any such move by Mr. Castro.

Nonetheless, a State Department spokesman said Tueday in Washington that the hijacking was part of a "disturbing trend" toward violence.

The Cuban government reported Tuesday's hijacking to the U.S. government and demanded the return of those who commandeered the vessel.

"People that came from land boarded it and attacked and killed this lieutenant," aid Rafael Dausa, political officer of the Cuban Interest Section in Washington "A group of persons took the boat, attacked the jacked the vessel."

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The vessel left port Monday afternoon, stopped to pick up passengers and then headed for the United States, 90 miles (145 kilometers) away, Mr. Dausa said by telephone.

He blamed "delinquents and vandals," commonly used references 10 Cuban dissidents.

The United States should send back these hijackers because this is a crime," Mr. Dausa said.

A U.S. government source identified the vessel as a military gunboat, but Mr. Dausa said it was a civilian vessel leased by the Cuban Navy. (AP, Reuters)



Mr. Castro, in Bogota for the inauguration of Ernesto Samper, retiterated his threat to flood the United States with Cuban immigrants unless Washington changed its policies.

Americans by the turn of the century.

ell said, would not be politically wise.

"It's one thing to say: 'We don't like

WASHINGTON - Republicans will

pay a "huge political price" if they carry

out a threat to block health-care legislation

through a filibuster, the Senate majority

leader, George J. Mitchell, said Tuesday.

After decades of fitful starts and failed

WASHINGTON - Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said Tuesday that the United States would continue to press Haitian Army leaders to step down, but he stopped

short of setting a deadline. Another American official said that a pledge on Monday of \$15 million in aid to Haiti — most of which will be given only after the exiled president, the Reverend Jean-Bertrand Aristide, is back in control of the government — is an "unambig-uous signal" that the United States is committed to restoring Father Aristide to power.

In Shannon, Ireland, where he stopped on his return from the Mideast, Mr. Christopher said, "We are not giving them an ultimatum or setting a deadline at the present time."

Deadlines tend to result in stponement of action until the deadline arrives, he said, adding the United States wants

no delay.
The United Nations has authorized the use of force to overthrow the Haitian Army leader, Lieutenant General Raoul Cédras, and restore Father Aristide to power. A U.S. Marine task force is stationed off Haiti's coast, but administration officials have said at least a month would be needed to prepare a multinational force for an invasion

what they're saying is we don't want anything to happen and so we're going to prevent any vote on anything."

Mitchell Warns on a Health Bill Filibuster

There will be a huge political price for anyone to pay for filibustering a health care bill." he said.

attempts to devise a system of national health insurance, the Senate opened de-Senator Phil Gramm, Republican of Texas, invoked the threat of a filibuster on bate Tuesday on a Democratic bill de-Monday, saying that "no amount of finsigned to cover at least 95 percent of ger-pointing will stop me from opposing something that is an anathema to every-To stop the momentum now, Mr. Mitchthing I believe is right for America."

Another conservative, Senator Jesse

your bill. Here's our alternative," Mr. Helms, Republican of North Carolina, in-Mitchell said on television. "In this case, troduced a resolution urging Congress to troduced a resolution urging Congress to put off action until next year. Mr. Mitchell said they would vote on the amendment Wednesday morning.

Democratic leaders remained intent on pushing a plan drafted by Mr. Mitchell and a companion bill in the House through Congress this month before the lawmakers go home for a delayed summer break.

President Bill Clinton, meanwhile, was meeting at the White House on Tuesday with business leaders who have expressed support for employer contributions to health insurance, universal coverage and containment of medical costs.

U.S. Rejects Nathan Polowetzky Dies at 72, Ultimatum Veteran Associated Press Editor On Haiti

NEW YORK - Nathan Polowetzky, 72, an Associated Press editor who was the "beageneration of foreign correspondents and feature writers. has died in New York.

Mr. Polowetzky, a foreign editor, business editor and Newsfeatures editor during his 50-year AP career, died Sunday night, apparently of a heart attack, family members said. Louis D. Boccardi, AP presi-

dent and chief executive officer, job." said, "Nate was an original. As foreign editor, he was a beacon, scold and inspiration to a gen-eration of foreign correspon-dents. As Newsfeatures editor, a post he held twice, he was a constant source of creative energy."

Mr. Poloweizky, born in Harrison, New Jersey, went to modern painting, died Sunday work at the AP's New York in Shanghai of a heart attack, headquarters on D-Day, June 6, Beijing newspapers reported

1944, after a stint in the army, Mr. Polowetzky was a demanding and intense editor, a voracious reader and a knowledgeable collector of modern art and autographed first-edition books.

News of Mr. Polowetzky's death brought comments from colleagues and friends around the world.

"Nate was a man of great warmth and great affection," said John Vinocur, executive ald Tribune, who worked under ers. She won Emmys for ABC's

Edith Lederer, an AP foreign correspondent for 22 years and now based in London, said, "It was O.K. for him to yell at you, but heaven help anyone else who did. He vastly expanded the number of women correspondents and never hesitated to send them off to a hot spot if he thought they could do the

Peter Amett, a CNN correspondent who won a Pulitzer Prize for his AP coverage of the Vietnam War, messaged from Port-Au-Prince, Haiti: "Nate was a pal, a fellow collector, and I shall miss him."

Liu Haisu, 98, widely regarded as the founder of Chinese Beijing newspapers reported Monday.

Hidalgo Moya, 74, an architect known for his painterly eye and engineering talent, died Wednesday of prostate cancer in Hastings, England, in the Conquest Hospital, which was designed by his firm.

Amy Jill Sacks, 39, an Emmy Award-winning producer rec-ognized for innovative sports production work, died of complications from lupus in Philadelphia. Ms. Sacks was one of editor of the International Her- the first female sports produc-

Mr. Polowetzky as a foreign coverage of the 1984 Summer correspondent for the AP. "He Olympics and for two specials liked his job but he loved the on the 1988 Winter Olympics. Press editor who was the "bea-con, scold and inspiration" to a made them feel it."

She was associate coordinating producer of ABC's Wide World of Sports from 1986 to 1989.

> Bert Freed, 74, a veteran actor who appeared in such movies as "Paths of Glory," "Billy Jack" and "Halls of Montezuma" died of a heart attack near

Clara Centinaro, 81, whose elegant wedding and ball gowns made her a major fashion de-signer in the 1950s, died Saturday in a Rome hospital.

Leonid M. Leonov, 95, a prominent Russian writer and playwright, died Monday in Moscow, the ITAR-Tass news agency said.

Tai Solarin, 72, one of Nigeria's best-known social critics and educators and a vehement critic of military rule, died July 27 in Ikenne in southwestern Nigeria, where he had a home.

Dmitri Yakushkin, 71, described as one of the top KGB agents in Washington in the late 1970s and early 1980s, died Tuesday after a protracted illness, the ITAR-Tass agency

Benny Ong, 87, called by some the "Godfather of Chinatown," died in Manhattan. Police considered him the most powerful Chinese organized crime leaders in New York. (AP, AFP, NYT)

Clinton Team Bites Its Tongue

WASHINGTON - The White House has supported the appointment of Kenneth W. Starr as Whitewater independent counsel, distancing the administration from comments made earlier by President Bill Clinton's personal attorney that Mr. Starr was too partisan and should quit.

"Those are his comments," the White House counsel, Lloyd N. Cutler, said of the comments by Robert S. Bennett, the lawyer who is representing Mr. Clinton in a sexual harassment case. Mr. Bennett said the appointment of Mr. Starr, a former judge with strong conservative credentials, created the "appearance of unfairness."

It is also the feeling held privately in the White House, where dismay over the choice of Mr. Starr, a Bush and Reagan administration official who has remained active in Republican Party politics; is widespread. Nevertheless, top administration officials have concluded that it would be counterproductive to complain about the appointment publicly. We have no reason to doubt the fair-

mindedness of Ken Start," Mr. Cutler said. The contradictory statements mark the confusion still surrounding Friday's surprise decision by a three-judge panel to remove the previous special counsel, Robert B. Fiske Jr. after he was already six months and \$2 million into his investigation of the ties between a failed Arkansas thrift and the Clintons' personal and political finances.

A Judge for the White House?

WASHINGTON - Abger J. Mikva, the chief judge of the federal appeals court in Washington, is the leading candidate to re-place Lloyd N. Cutler as the White House counsel, administration officials said.

Judge Mikva, 68, served in the House of Representatives and the Illinois legislature before being named to the federal bench by President Jimmy Carter in 1979. His selection would offer President Bill Clinton both the stature of a well-respected federal judge and the political acumen that many in the White ton's first counsel, Bernard W. Nussbaum,

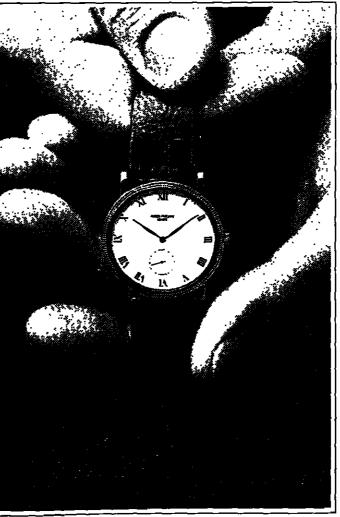
Mr. Cutler, a senior partner at a Washington law, took over after Mr. Nussbaum resigned in March amid a storm of protest about his involvement in meetings between White House and Treasury officials regarding a federal investigation of a failed thrift that touched on the Clintons. (WP)

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John Pike of the Federation of American Scientists, referring to the just-disclosed cost of a new spy satellite headquarters building: "There's a third of a billion-dollar puzzle palace out there in Virginia and nobody noticed? What we have here is a failure to communicate."

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Away From Politics

• Priests in Florida have been warned to be cautious after a caller vowed to kill 20 clergymen in retaliation for the slayings of doctor and his driver outside an abortion clinic. Paul Hill, a former Presbyterian minister, was jailed on charges of murder and attempted

 A former high school valedictorian candidate was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for the murder of a 17-year-old honors student. Robert Chan, 19, was sentenced in Santa Ana, California, in the 1992 killing of Stuart A. Tay. Mr. Chan was

one of five teenagers convicted of beating Mr. Tay with baseball bats, pouring rubbing alcohol down his throat and leaving him to die, bound and gagged, in a backyard grave.

• A record 1,277 climbers have scaled Mount McKinley this summer, which at 20,320 feet (6,194 meters) is North America's tallest

 Researchers are investigating the silt of the Penobscot River looking for the wrecks of 35 ships burned and scuttled in 1779 in one of the worst naval defeats in U.S. history. The 35-ship Penobscot Expedition was a volunteer fleet preparing for an attack on the Brit-ish fort at Castine, Maine, during the Revolutionary War.

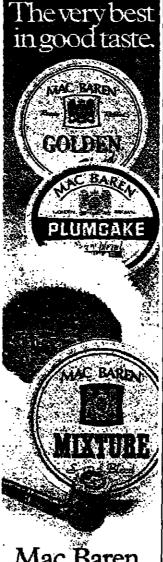
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It was the only international force stationed in the occupied territories since Israel captured them in the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, and the end of its term left questions about the effectiveness of such a force there.

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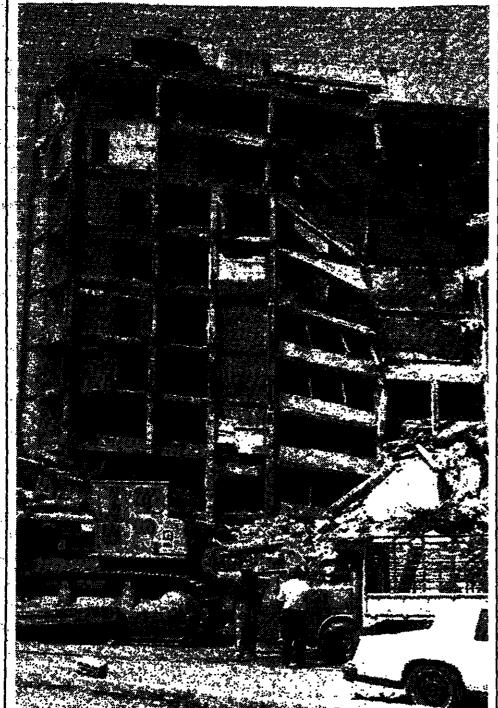
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The army has shut Hebron's vegetable market and barred Arab traffic from some downtown areas to prevent revenge attacks on adjacent Jewish enclaves, where about 400 settlers live among 100,000 Palestinians. The shrine has been closed while the army installs new se-

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More than 7,000 Muslim civilians and fighters faithful to Fikret Abdic, a Muslim renegade who abandoned the Bosnian government last year to make peace with the Serbs, fled over Bosnia's border into territory held by rebel Serbs in Croatia, a UN spokesman, Paul Risley, said in Zagreb, Croatia. They were escaping the Muslim government's Fifth Corps, which had rolled to less than six miles from the Abdic stronghold of Velika Kladusa

Unless Croatian Serbian forces intervene and attack into Bosnia, Mr. Abdic is finished, said a Dutch Army major, Rob Annink, a spokesman for the UN Protec-tion Force in Bosnia. UN peacekeepers

moved north but added that Serbian infantry would have to get involved if they wanted to save Mr. Abdic's men.

The likely fall of Mr. Abdic, a businessman who has grown tremendously rich playing all sides of Bosnia's conflict by turning Bihac, a pocket of 300,000 Muslims, into a giant company town, marks a major step forward for Sarajevo's government. First it will probably end a yearlong rebellion fostered in part by international peace negotiators seeking to pressure Sara jevo to sign an old peace plan.

Second, the victory, during which Muslim forces captured thousands of weapons. including heavy artillery, and hundreds of thousands of rounds of ammunition, all supplied by the Serbs, also means an impressive step forward for the Bosnian Army's Fifth Corps, which for the last 11 months has had to fight wars on two fronts one against Mr. Abdic to the north and one against Bosnian Serbs in Banja Luka to the east and south.

Major Annink said the Muslim victory

here, and Muslim gains in battles against-Serbs in central Bosnia south of Vares and along the strategic Posavina corridor, are likely to embolden the Bosnian Army to continue fighting despite a UN assessment that it cannot regain much of the 70 per-

cent of the country controlled by the Serbs. In late July the mostly-Muslim government approved an international peace plan to divide Bosnia that Bosnian Serbs rejected, but UN officials said they believed

Sarajevo was now more interested in fight-

ing because momentum was on their side.

■ UN Resumes Airlift

The UN airlift into Sarajevo resumed Tuesday, relaxing a stranglehold that the Bosnian Serbs have clamped on the city. Reuters reported from Sarajevo.

The airlift was stopped July 21 after a series of incidents in which aircraft came under fire at the airport.

In Sarajevo, UN officials said the Bosnian Serbs had ordered a ban on the movement of UN military convoys Tuesday, apparently in an escalation of their war of nerves with the UN Protection Force.

BOSNIA:

Congress, the Clinton administration may appeal to the United Nations as early as Oct. 15 to exempt the Muslim-led Bosnian government from a regional arms embargo, if Serbian sepa-ratists continue to reject the

If the UN Security Council refuses, the administration would return to Congress to discuss withdrawing from its role in the North Atlantic Treaty Organization as enforcer of the embargo.

The course of action is contained in a proposed resolution that would be part of the defense budget authorization bill. previous governments. The bill could be brought to a vote as early as this week.

Setting a deadline on the Serbs would be a distinct departure for the administration, which has been wary of laying down ultimatums. Washington is trying to get agreement from its allies and Russia to lift the embargo.

President Bill Clinton has favored lifting the arms embargo on the grounds that it penalizes the Muslims, whom he regards as victims of aggression. Congress has been pressing the administration to lift the embargo unilaterally. In June, the House voted to compel Mr. Clinton to break the embargo, but the Senate, by a tie vote, refused to go

In an offensive last week, the Bosnian army overran the town aming process."

Abdic's troops and opening the way to breaking the resistance of his remaining forces.

Easing Embargo? Berlusconi Vows to Carry On With Controversial TV Ads

ROME - Prime Minister coni's rightist coalition. Silvio Berlusconi's government controversial advertising campaign promoting the adminis-

tration's achievements. Gianni Letta, secretary to the prime minister's office, said that the 50-second television ads, launched amid much protests on Saturday, were a means tween citizens and institutions" that had been severed under

"Under the First Republic everyone deplored this gap be-tween public opinion and the government," Mr. Letta said, stressing his intention to press ahead with the "information"

campaign.

Berlusconi supporters have dubbed his administration the tion, criticized the ads. Second Republic. But there have been no formal constitutional changes since the Chris-

series of racially motivated at-

The police had earlier arrest-

neo-Nazi chants on a tape re-

corder and waving the imperial

state of Brandenburg, in a Jü-

terbog car park.

March elections by Mr. Berlus-Mr. Letta's comments came a

on Tuesday vowed to pursue a day after ltaly's state television station RAI announced that it was suspending broadcasts of the ads. After Mr. Berlusconi, who

owns three television stations in Italy, launched the ads, opposition parties immediately charged that they amounted to of "re-establishing links be- no more than propaganda for what has become an administration increasingly dogged by controversy.

The Democratic Party of the Left denounced the ads as "absurd and illegal" and demanded that they be banned. Even Umberto Bossi, leader

of the federalist Northern League and a member of Mr. Berlusconi's three-party coali-

The broadcasts were stopped after Giuseppe Santaniello, the head of the national broadcast-

decide within a month whether the ads breach laws under which state television has to broadcast government messages in certain strictly defined

Mr. Letta attacked what he called "unjust" attempts to "distort the intentions of the government.

He added that on about 50 occasions former governments had used television advertising campaigns.

The ads first show images of hospitals, syringes or rubbish dumps. Then an off-screen voice lists the achievements of Mr. Berlusconi's four-month administration: "Drugs: the creation of a national intervention fund against drugs, it's done. ... Health: free treatment extended to victims of chronic illnesses, it's done."

The ads end with the statement: "Citizens must be aware of these facts to exercise their tian Democratic-dominated ing watchdog, was asked to rule rights," followed by the prime government was defeated in on their legality. He will have to minister's symbol.

SYKLA: Both Sides Are Moving Slowly Toward a Compromise, U.S. Says

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broad outlines of a peace accord were there: Israel has tentatively offered to withdraw from the Golan Heights in ex-change for a comprehensive peace with Syria. Myriad details still need to be worked out, however, about security arrangements, borders, the scope of a full peace and the timing of implementing a

During his five-day trip to the Middle months — Mr. Christopher carried some had indicated that he had made a strategic new Israeli ideas to Damascus and, after choice for peace, the Syrian leader would meeting with Mr. Assad, conveyed some of not accept a peace at any price.

the Syrian leader's latest thinking to Israel's prime minister, Yitzhak Rabin.

There is a good deal for them to chew on as we leave the region," Mr. Christopher said, noting that sizable gaps remained between the two sides.

In a news conference on Monday, Mr. Rabin also indicated that he thought Mr. Assad was intent on achieving peace. "Syria wants peace," he said. "The problem is the price, the timing, the timetables."

A senior official aboard Mr. Christo-

"Each side," the official said, "is trying to determine whether they can pay the price they are being asked for by the other and whether the price is worth it."

The senior official described the talks as "far more detailed than before," adding that they had taken on a more probing

They're not just trying to deal with each issue in isolation," the official said.

They're much more intent on seeing how each issue will fit to a time-consuming process."

uproar on Tuesday. A German Court Allows Plutonium

BONN (Reuters) - The years by a legal battle with the

The Hesse government, a co-

in New York, are often in dark ister, Joschka Fischer, said in a apartments or small offices, radio interview that he saw "an grimly guarded by a team with enormous proliferation risk" from plutonium, used in the manufacturing of nuclear

that these places are going to be would resume work on the safe if they hire the right plant and that production of mixed-oxide plutonium fuel rods could begin in two to three

"Further moves toward comsoldiers, and the best paid are pletion of the plant can now proceed on a firm legal basis," a Siemens spokesman said. "But whether progress can be made honest - uniformed versions of depends on whether the Hesse Mr. Espy has been accused of the thugs they were hired to government gives up its obtaking gifts from Tyson Foods. ward off. structionist policies.'

Agence France Presse page in a service station and JUTERBOG, Germany — A shouted "Heil Hitler!"

While Neo-Nazi's Sentence Is Disputed

Racial Attacks Erupt Across Germany

tacks and a dispute over the bomb destroyed a Turkish culsentencing of the leader of the tural center in the southern neo-Nazi movement sparked an German town of Sindelfingen overnight. No one was hurd.

Young rightist extremists at-Jewish and Gypsy communitacked a group of tourists in ty leaders, meanwhile, ex-Jüterbog, in Eastern Germany, pressed outrage at the "lenient" early Tuesday because a teensentence given Günter Deckert, the leader of the National Demager of Turkish origin was part of their group, the police said. ocratic Party, a neo-Nazi movement, after his trial in Mann-Three tourists, including the Turkish teenager, and one of heim on charges of inciting the rightist youths were hurt, the police said. racial hatred.

Mr. Deckert was given a oneyear suspended sentence and fined for telling a 1991 rally of revisionists who deny the Holoed four youths for listening to caust that it was impossible for the Germans to have gassed 6 flag, which is banned in the million Jews to death during World War II.

Newspaper reports said the The previous day, the police judgment was accompanied by arrested four rightist extremists in Gotha, also in Eastern Gerequivocal comments by the

The chairman of the council of German Jews, Ignatz Bubis, ment, the reports said.

Germany's main Gypsy body, the Central Gypsy Council, demanded the immediate resignation of the presiding. judge, Wolfgang Müller.

The reports said Judge Müller had claimed in the judgment that Mr. Deckert had "attempted to strengthen the resistance of the German people to the Jewish claims of the Holocaust.

In Magdeburg, Eastern Germany, the police chief who was heavily criticized for his apparent inaction during a vicious racially motivated attack on foreigners there earlier this year was retired on Tuesday, the re-

gional government said. Antonius Stockmann was forced out of his post by the

CLINTON: Sinking Deeper

Continued from Page 1 Brookings Institution. "It is one of the biggest mysteries of this

administration. Political scientists agree that presidents are usually rewarded by the public for economic good times and punished when times are bad.

The survey and interviews with experts on the presidency also suggest that there may be other reasons for voters' disquiet with Mr. Clinton. "I have a suspicion that citi-

zens are getting conflicting measures through the media and their personal contacts," said Michael Traugott, a political scientist at the University of Michigan "The gross economic data are generally good, but downsizing may have cost some friends and neighbors their jobs. The literature suggests that people are responding more to concerns about others than their own circumstances." Some say other issues may be crowding out the economic good news. "People's attention

BUSTERS: Russian Private Security Forces Grow

Continued from Page 1 polls, people say they worry in a society suffused with - four hostages. and sometimes seemingly run - gangsters, the task will

"This is not meant to be a me or a joke," said Alexander G. Azmolov, a deputy minister for education who was among the VIPs who attended the show. "This is a society that has never had to think of private security, or personal safety or random crime. Now that has changed. So these people are here to show us that we can be prepared to battle criminals."

It is not entirely clear to most civil rights advocates here that what Russia needs to confront crime are scores of highly polished vigilante organizations even the Guardian Angels have appeared on the scene - operating as if they were the police. Yet it is not hard to understand why such groups would receive applause. Street crime is still relatively new, but it is get-

is not on the economy but elseting worse by the day. On July 28, after the concluwhere: Whitewater, Rwanda, Bosnia, crime," said Richard sion of these exercises, for in-Brody, a Stanford University stance, gunmen took over a bus. near the southern Russia spa

town of Mineralnye Vody - bank robbers. They assigned polls, people say they worry the fourth time since December points based on technique, use about crime more than any other that hostages had been seized of handcuffs, stealth, speed and er problem. President Boris N. there. Government forces shooting style. They judged as

> The demonstration here, at a sort of survivalist camp for the guards of nouveau riche bankers, was meant to show that Russia can stop all that. There were competitions in several categories: storming banks to rescue hostages, killing terror-ists without harming their prisoners, and beating bad guys to a

Judges watched as a succession of guards overpowered

Independent Counsel Requested in Espy Case

The Associated Press WASHINGTON - Attorney General Janet Reno asked for the appointment of an independent counsel Tuesday to continue an investigation into whether Agriculture Secretary Mike Espy illegally accepted gifts from people who do busi-ness with his department.

Yeltsin issued a far-reaching stormed the bus the next day the contestants shot paint-filled anti-crime decree in June. But and five people died, including bullets and stabbed, kicked and punched one another.

One of the main events was the siege of a money exchange branch. Criminals surrounded guards as they walked toward the building carrying huge moneybags. Each guard had one minute to overcome and handcuff his attacker. Money exchanges, as com-

mon in Moscow as coffee shops automatic rifles. It is hard to feel entirely safe in them.

lichko, one of the organizers. eastern Europe.
"We want everyone to know Siemens said Tuesday that it We want everyone to know

Maybe so. Private security costs a lot in Moscow now. Many guards are retired Soviet those with combat experience in Afghanistan. But some companies have proved to be dis-

Plant to Proceed

German Administrative Court in Berlin gave the go-ahead Tuesday for a Siemens AG plutonium plant near Frankfurt, a project bogged down for three local government.

alition of the Social Democratic Party and the Greens, opposes the plant on safety grounds. The Hesse environment min-

"That is why we chose that weapons, particularly in view of image," said Aleksei H. Ve-unsettled political conditions in

many, after they went on a ram- judges.

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military intervened to cancel the run-off ballot in January 1992 after Islamic hard-liners took a commanding lead on the first round.

■ Bonn Studies Exile's Case German authorities are considering measures against the top exiled leader of the outlawed Islamic Salvation Front, Rabah Kebir, for breaking a ban on political activity, Agence France-Presse reported

waiting for information from ministry "precise details of Mr. the Foreign Ministry in Bonn after the Front official gave indecision to be taken." terviews to French reporters Mr. Kebir's political refugee

Rhine-Westphalia said Mr. Ke- due to decide on the issue.

FRANCE: Clampdown Against Algerians Widens Local authorities in the state bir could face a \$3,000 fine and of North Rhine-Westphalia, other possible action once Bonn where Mr. Kebir lives, were had given the state's interior

> and sent a statement to AFP status, granted in February, attacking France's policy on Al- faces a challenge from the federal government, which has an-A local official in North pealed against it. The courts are

CAMERAS: An English Town Is Peering Into Its Nooks and Crannies

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political scientist.

is promoting video surveillance as "one of the most exciting and constructive applications of new technology in the fight against crime," as Junior Home Minister David Maclean put it in a recent speech.

Closed-circuit television has long been used in Europe and the United States to monitor such vulnerable crime venues as banks, retail outlets, airports and subway systems. But in Britain the concept has been extended to cover entire towns and city centers — parking lots, streets, high-crime housing projects, industrial areas, sports complexes, churches, graveyards and small alleyways.

The British video projects are generating interest overseas; police and government officials from as far away as Illimois have visited King's Lynn recently to inspect the system, town officials say.

which the writer warned against

able if they're in an area where they're walking alone."

omniscient eye on the citizenry. and war during the 1930s and
With cameras all around, 1940s sharply restrict all forms "there is a chilling effect which of electronic surveillance. The is quite difficult to put into tan-mere thought of what the Nazis gible words or feelings," said might have done with such cam-Atiya Lockwood of Britain's eras is enough to deter their use, National Council for Civil Lib-European civil libertarians say. erties. "On the other hand, you have to balance it out against

Of greatest concern, Ms. Lockwood said, is the absence of 10 said they believed the new of laws to govern the uses of cameras would be used "to spy video surveillance, access to on people." tapes or the accountability of camera operators, who in most suggests that video surveillance King's Lynn surveilance direccases are private security guards has a momentum all its own. tor. The system has grown behired on contract by town gov-ernments. The Home Office for such a large system here—it creates among the public, he says it hopes to publish non- it just grew as more sections of said.

But civil libertarians fear that binding guidelines on such is the town clamored to be includ-Britain is fulfilling the prophe- sucs this autumn. Britain is virtually alone in

cies of George Orwell's novel
"Nineteen Eighty-Four," in the field, industry executives and civil libertarians said. On a totalitarian state in which an the Continent, laws enacted afall-seeing Big Brother keeps an ter the experience of fascism Public surveys in Britain de-

pict ambivalence about the new people feeling more comfort- systems. A clear majority expresses support for the use of video cameras to stop crime. But in one detailed survey, 4 out The King's Lynn experience

The project began with seven fixed cameras in a burglaryplagued industrial park. Then, in 1992, it expanded to 32 cameras to stop crime in parking lots. To protect privacy, at first only stationary cameras were installed near residential areas. But today this town of 30,000 has 60 cameras linked to its central surveillance command.

Plans are afoot to expand the

Yet King's Lynn does not

have a serious crime problem

system even further.

compared with elsewhere in "What it comes down to is, there's a perception of crime, a fear of crime, rather than actual crime," said Barry Loftus, the On September 5th, the IHT will publish a Special Report on

Aviation

aircraft engine. Future of mergers and acquisitions in the

Importance of the Chinese market in aircraft sales.

An extra 3,000 copies of the newspaper will be distributed at the Famborough Air Show on the same day. For more information about this Special Report. please contact Bill Mahder in Paris at (33-1) 46 37 93 78, fax: (33-1) 46 37 50 44.

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A Long Haul in Rwanda

resolve. Relief workers in Zaire, where a million Rwandans have fled, see little hope for a prompt return home by Hutu fearing reprisal massacres by Tutsi, who dominate the new government in Kigali. Instead of getting better, matters could become worse, spreading conflict, hunger and uprooted peoples through an entire region.

It would be wise for the Clinton administration to prepare Americans for what may be a very long haul in Central Africa. A small contingent of U.S. troops is already assisting the UN operation in Rwanda, and Washington has promised to come up with \$270 million in new aid. If the case is fairly made, if burdens are fairly shared with others, and if civil peace can be maintained, this is an effort that Americans can be persuaded to support.

The immediate compelling consideration is humanitarian. It affronts decency to do nothing as children starve in squalid refugee camps. But other interests are affected when 4 million people flee their homes, half of them across frontiers, in a country of just under 8 million people where, today, no food grows in vacated farms. Desperation will breed new wars, sending shock waves through tense neighboring states, notably Burundi and Zaire.

The fearful prospect of more upheavals calls out for energetic preventive diplomacy. The place to start is Kigali, where a new government lacking even telephones, desks and offices rules a country lacking people. Creditably, the victorious Rwanda Patriotic Front has established a multiparty cabinet that is led by a president and prime minister who are both Hutu. But real power is held by minority Tutsi, nota-bly Vice President and Defense Minister Paul Kagame, who was the chief strategist of the rebel victory. The new regime is speaking the right words about reconcilia-tion. Yet these have to be set against the

The crisis in Rwanda may take years to scattered killings of returning Hutu and government plans to try thousands of civilns as war criminals.

There could also be another nightmare if 500,000 Rwandans, mostly Hutu, flee a security zone created by French peacekeepers, who are due to depart by Aug. 22. Keeping to that timetable is a problem. since the French are supposed to be replaced by a 5,500-strong UN peacekeeping force. But less than a thousand Canadian and African troops are now in Rwanda, with the rest still to be trained to protect convoys and reassure returning villagers. A small contingent of U.S. troops is under U.S. command in Kigali.

By any measure, the prospects are grim: an untested new government, a collapse of basic services, reprisal killings, an impro-vised international force and a depopulated country, with the planting season supposed to begin next month.

Meantime, mingling with 2 million refugees in Zaire and Tanzania are remnants of the defeated Rwandan army, including units responsible for the worst massacres. Commanders talk of regrouping and of border war from sanctuaries in Zaire; they threaten to shoot foreign relief workers who dare urge Rwandans to return home. And the same despicable radio station that clamored for Tutsi blood before the rebel victory continues its broadcasts from a mobile base.

What could make an enormous difference is a real international presence in Rwanda, to reassure and to witness. Now there are reports of killings in adjacent Burundi, with a similar ethnic mix and with the same history of strife. The world had neither the means nor the will to respond in April, the critical early stage of Rwanda's descent into genocide. It has been a terrible learning process, and yet crueler lessons may lie ahead.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Abuses in South Korea

For more than a month, South Korea has been waging a fierce campaign against student radicals and labor militants with methods that have no place in a democratic society. Washington has muted its public criticism in deference to Seoul's anxieties over the North Korean nuclear program and the delicate succession to Kim Il Sung. But a month has elapsed since his death, and the repression shows no sign of abating, posing a far graver threat to democracy than any subversive scheme hatched in Pyongyang. South Korea's true friends need to speak up.

The crackdown began in June, amid a wave of labor unrest. Riot police swept through factories making mass arrests. They also raided university campuses, ar-resting activist students for allegedly supporting North Korea. That charge falls under Seoul's fearsome National Security Law, which allows long sentences merely for expressing proscribed opinions.

Things got even worse after Kim Il Sung died on July 8. Radical students sought to travel north for the funeral and hold public memorial services in the South. These expressions of public sympathy for the man who started the Korean War outraged Southern conservatives and led to

intensified campus repression. Kim Il Sung is widely reviled in the South, where families mourn the relatives and homes they lost in the war. More recently, the North has sponsored acts of terrorism and compels Seoul to remain on

constant defense alert. Meanwhile, South Korea's student radicals are notorious for their often simpleminded politics and sometimes violent protest. But suppressing speech and locking people up for their unpopular opinions will not fortify South

Korea against external danger. One reason the South has proved more successful than the North is that it has always been a more open society. But even in Seoul, the word "open" has been qualified. For years, military regimes encouraged economic daring while maintaining tight control over political activities.

That dichotomy broke down under pressure from domestic dissidents and, at crucial moments, from the United States. Since 1987, South Korea has moved toward full political democracy; since early last year, it has been led by a former dissident leader, Kim Young Sam.

President Kim should know better than to round up radicals under the National Security Law. The Clinton administration earlier this year expressed its concerns about the law as well as its hope that Seoul would repeal it as soon as possible. More recently, Washington has lowered its voice on human rights issues in general and has seemed particularly rejuctant to raise such issues with South Korea in the midst of the nuclear crisis. That reluctance has given Seoul exactly the wrong message. A fresh expression of American concern and hope is urgently needed.

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

Since 1987, Kurt Waldheim, the former Austrian president and United Nations secretary-general, has been barred from entering the United States as a private citizen, and has been ostracized by much of the West. His outcast status is well-deserved. During World War II he served as a decorated intelligence officer in German army units responsible for committing a series of atrocities and war crimes against civilians and prisoners of war. His duplicity about his wartime record only compounded the dishonor. Today this onetime uniformed servant of the Nazi onslaught in the Balkans wears a new mantle. It is one of legitimacy, bestowed by Pope John Paul II.

Last month, with little fanfare, in a

ceremony at the Vatican Embassy in Vienna, Mr. Waldheim was awarded a papal knighthood of the Ordine Piano. It is said that the Vatican chose to bestow the honor upon Mr. Waldheim, a prominent Catholic from a mostly Catholic country, for safeguarding human rights when he served with the United Nations. But for the Vatican to have done that for this man was to fall victim to parochialism of the worst kind.

The papal honoree is the same man who, according to an Austrian government report prepared by an independent panel of historians, knew about and did nothing to stop atrocities against Jews. He is the same man Attorney General Edwin Meese blocked from entering the United States because of evidence that he provided intelligence and other support that enabled others to kill, torture and deport people to slave labor camps. This is the same Mr. Waldheim who has not brought himself publicly to own up to his past, let alone apologize for his complicity in the things done in German-occupied Yugoslavia and Greece. The Pope, it is said, turns no sinner away, but to take in and honor as unrepentant a figure as

heim's diplomatic isolation has been breached by the Vatican; he has been received there twice before. It is tragic that this embrace comes on the heels of the recently signed agreement between the Vatican and Israel establishing diplomatic relations after a period of great tension. The Pope's condemnation of anti-Semitism and racism has been strong in the past. To honor the likes of Kurt Waldheim ignores history and sug-gests a terrible blind spot.



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So Back Come the Apparatchiks in Eastern Europe

N EW YORK — In Budapest, the newly elected leader of Hungary was talking to me about strengthening the country's economy and drawing closer to the West. He said sensible things that the prime minister of a country recovering from decades of Communist rule could be expected to say.

All the while I felt astonishment and disappointment that this politician

Free enterprise is dandy, but the idea that society will be better off if you lose your job for a few years and see your pension dwindle takes a better sales pitch to Eastern Europe than capitalism has yet come up with.

would be presiding in the office of the prime minister at all. It was like talking with the ghost of a nonbeloved departed. So I asked the question: Wasn't Gyula Horn a little surprised to find himself in that office? After all, he had

By A. M. Rosenthal

opposed the anti-Communist revolution of 1956, served in a militia that rounded up Hungarians who had fought against the country's Communist government and the invading Soviet army. He had been a leading member of the Communist apparatus for decades. He was foreign minister in the Communist government that was thrown out four years ago in Hungary's first free election.

But on May 29 he and his party, now named Socialist, won the second election with a plump margin. The West is yawningly and dangerously used to the idea. Among the 22 countries in the former Soviet Union or captive under its exceedingly evil empire in Central and Eastern Europe, only five have dispensed with Communists in power or with a significant share of power. Adrian Karatnycky, executive director of Freedom House, has named those five in National Review: Albania, Armenia, the Czech Republic, Estonia and Latvia.

Two things could not have been fore-told, I suggested to Mr. Horn: that communism would collapse so suddenly, and that politicians who held power under communism would be back in office so

quickly — politicians like himself. That is why I had come to Hungary.

awhile, but Mr. Horn kept his temper. He said he had joined the militia because he was forced to as a student. And as foreign minister in 1989, he went on, he opened Hungary as a freedom route to the West for East Europeans.

But to Mr. Horn's opponents a toughie he was, and a toughie he remains, not a gentle reformer.

Poking around, I found little disagreement about the reasons the Socialists had won. The previous government almost handed them the election. It was seen as

bumbling, high and mighty and riven.

Also, the "Socialists" statted with a powerful voting base—the 20 percent of Hungarians who had either been members of the old Communist Party or were married to them.

Two other reasons were fear and a peculiar complacency. The fear was that Hungarians could lose the Communist benefit they valued most: they were never unemployed long. Free enterprise is dandy, but the idea that society will be better off if you lose your job for a few years, see your living standard decline and pension dwindle, takes a better economic sales pitch to Eastern Europe than capitalism has yet come up with.

Hungary's Communists, ex- and not so ex-, have no idea how to keep a free

and could be please help me figure it out.

That put a chill on the conversation for erybody's job security. When I asked Mr. Horn he gave me the classic answer of any victor over an incumbent: Boy, did those fellows leave this place in a mess! The complacency is the belief that since few expect the Socialists to try to

return to outright Marxism, there is no danger of political repression. And in truth the greatest danger since the last election seemed to be the racist right. In this year's election, Hungarians sent it into parliamentary oblivion something to remember despite the dis-

appointment of the return of the exes. But it was a fine sumy week in one of Europe's most handsome cities. We listened to Beethoven in a grove of trees. We dined at Gundel's, a pure elegant waitz of a restaurant. I did not have the heart to lecture people who had suffered under Communists about the danger of

returning them to office. But I did want to say what I can now. Throughout Eastern and Central Europe. the ex-Communists will be moved by instinct and self-interest toward their own form of state control and the corruption of society and ethic that goes with it.
The same old apparatchiks will then

dominate government, business and politics. That would be the great victory of the ghost people.

The New York Times.

China: The Military's Rush to Profit Is a High-Risk Maneuver

By Ellis Joffe

Korea: The Hawkish Habit Warps Western Policy

brave willingness to organize and is the only reasonable way to fight against the cruel Japanese decide who should run the nation

By Gregory Clark

BEIJING — Although China's defense spending has almost doubled in the past six years and the country's leadership under Deng Xiaoping has minimized political interference in military affairs, the modernization of the armed forces is facing a threat from an unexpected quarter: the massive intrusion of the military into economic affairs. If unchecked, it will erode the capability and professional integrity of the armed forces.

The involvement of the military in economic activities is as old as the Chinese People's Army. However, under Mr. Deng's economic reforms, it has become much more extensive than at any time in the past. Military commercial enterprise has branched out into areas that used to be strictly off-limits for ideological reasons. Today, the sole purpose of such activity is to make money.

¬OKYO — The debate over

■ North Korea's nuclear plans

shows why Western diplomacy

There are two very opposed ways to look at the North Korean

regime. The hawkish view says it

started out in 1945 as a puppet of

Soviet Stalinism and that with Stalin's urging in 1953 it engaged in an act of blatant aggression

against the legitimate govern-

Ever since, according to this

view, the regime has been en-

gaged in terror and subversion

against the South, while hoping

for a chance to make yet one

more attack and indulging in the most extreme kinds of Commu-

nist repression and fanaticism. It

is a rogue regime that should be

The dovish view says otherwise. It says that in 1945 the Ko-

rean Peninsula was divided arbi-

trarily as an act of U.S.-Soviet

expediency, and that the only group with political legitimacy at

the time were the Communists

(including the recently deceased

Kim Il Sung) thanks to their

confronted at every level.

ment of South Korea.

has tended to fail in Asia.

The initial impetus for this change was given when the govization of the armed forces was one of its main policy objectives. But the proviso was added that any large-scale updating of weapons and equipment would be postponed until China attained substantial economic and technological progress.

This policy shaped the defense budget for most of the 1980s. Allocations hardly increased in absolute terms and dropped by about 50 percent as a portion of

total spending.
Although the defense budget has risen every year since then, Chinese military officials claim that the purchasing power of the army has not increased because of inflation.. The shortfalls affected the livlihood of troops as

colonization before 1945.

But U.S. intervention in 1945

allowed the creation of a weak,

corrupt anti-Communist regime

in the South which immediately began to imprison and execute

intellectuals and others with le-

gitimate left-wing views. It also

claimed to be the sole legal government of the Korean Peninsula

and backed up this claim with

occasional military provocations

the right not just to reply to those

provocations but also to invade.

For, as the United States told the

United Nations on Sept. 30, 1950,

just after the successful Inchon landing, "The artificial barrier which has divided North and

South Korea has no basis for exis-

It was a classic civil war situa-

tion, and, as in Rwanda, Yemen

and a host of other divided na-

tions, the West should have ac-

cepted the result of that civil war

tence either in law or reason."

In this situation the North had

against the North.

well as arms acquisition. To close the gap, the army was en-couraged to launch its own profit-making operations in every possible sector of the economy.

In the freewheeling climate created by Mr. Deng's reforms, these operations grew rapidly. Over the last decade, the military has built a commercial empire the dimensions of which are probably not known even to the too commanders. Privately, officials say the armed forces now run more than 20,000 production, industrial and service companies. Most major units in the army, navy and air force are reported to be involved in economic activity. This includes owning factories and hotels, running mines and import-export firms, building airports, operating civilian airlines, marketing agri-

decide who should run the nation

called Korea. But we didn't and

we intervened. What is more, we

intervened with such brutal force

as to guarantee a permanently

traumatized regime in the North. We also assisted massively the

recovery of the South, along with the emergence of anti-Commu-

nist hawks there determined to

In this view, North Korea has

had no choice but to develop nu-

clear weapons to guarantee its se-

curity, particularly since the West

gave tacit agreement to Israel's

nuclear weapon development in a

As for North Korean sabotage

tactics and fanaticism, we need to

look below the surface. Sabotage

specialists often have a free hand

even in Western democracies. In

any Communist regime, a Korean

one especially, there is a big differ-

ence between rhetoric and reality.

To most impartial Western stu-dents of Korean affairs, the truth

similar situation.

And so on.

get revenge against the North.

cultural produce, ferrying goods on navy ships, putting together huge commercial conglomerates and selling arms.

These profit-making pursuits have gone far beyond the limits foreseen or desired by the government. They are bound to have a negative impact. Commercialism has diverted army units from military tasks. More ominously, it has given rise to a wide range of illegal activities.

Aware of these problems, China's military leadership has peri-odically issued regulations to tighten financial supervision and end abuses. However, such steps have had little practical effect because officers in the far-flung units of the armed forces did not implement them. They could do this because the high command has so far refrained from mounting a forceful campaign to curb the military's economic pursuits.

lies somewhere between these two

extremes. Some may prefer the

former, some the latter. But that

to making diplomatic and mili-

tary decisions in the West about

Korea, the odds are invariably

ish view, not because the decision

makers themselves are necessarily

hawks but because the first rule of

diplomacy, Cold War diplomacy

at least, has been to prepare for

In some situations — Berlin Wall or Cubas crises, for exam-

ple, or diplomacy against Stalinist Russia or Cultural Revolution China — this is not necessarily a bad rule. It can be argued that while the has it

route, right or wrong, has its risks, the dovish route may have

even larger risks if proved wrong. Besides, the hawk route

always has the backstop of West-

ern military supremacy even if it

is proved wrong.
But the North Korean situa-

tion suggests otherwise. If the

hawks did get it wrong, then their

actions have done nothing else but guarantee that North Korea

would eventually feel it had no

option but to go nuclear. So they

now have to threaten war to pre-vent something that could easily have been settled over a confer-

ence table years ago without any

Worse, by not going to that table they guaranteed an increas-

ingly repressive North Korea a

fairly repressive South Korea and

a gross waste of resources and

manpower in a tragically divided

nation during decades of intense

military preparation by both sides. In most Asian situations, right

and wrongs are more complex than most Western policymakers

realize. They should pay more at-

International Herald Tribune.

tention to the dovish view.

risk whatsoever.

the worst possible scenario.

My point is that when it comes

is not my point.

The reason is plain. The benefits from these activities are immediate and tangible. They ease financial pressure on the military, providing it with funds and considerable infinence. They also help to improve living conditions of the troops and pay for arms purchases. The ill effects are not yet considered visible enough to warrant immediate and far-reaching countermeasures.

However, the effects are corrosive. One of the most serious is widespread corruption. It takes many forms, such as bribery, embezziement, smuggling or disobedience for financial gain. As a result, the ethic of duty, which lies at the heart of military professionalism, is being destroyed. Troops who see the degeneration of their officers are becoming demoralized. They are being diverted from training and other essential missions.

Economic entanglement is a direct danger to the professionalism of the officer corps. It weakens discipline and fosters economic rivalries between units of the armed forces. The implications are ominous because discipline holds

a military organization together.
Such discipline becomes all the more crucial as China enters an uncertain period of leadership transition. Mr. Deng and other revolutionary leaders have the stature to assert authority over military commanders. Their successors will not

ers to control the military will rest much more than at any time in the past on the bedrock of organizational discipline. Yet this is being undermined by the transformation of the Chinese military from a fighting force into an army that is composed of "two systems," one military and one economic.

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No Neat Korean Fix

BARRING a miraculous change in the regime, the North Koreans are not likely to give up their platomum produc-tion potential during the 10 years that would be required for construction of replacement reactors.

And they would likely want a sufficient stockpile of enriched uranium fuel so that they would not be at America's mercy when those reactors do operate.

In the end, what is wrong with the substitution proposal is that it presumes a level of goodwill on North Korea's part that, were it present, would obviate the need for the proposal. If the North Koreans are interested in electricity, there are much cheaper, better and safer ways to provide it. There are no neat technological fixes. What is needed is change in

North Korea — Victor Gilinsky, commenting in The Washington Post

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1894: Hawaiian Republic NEW YORK - The United

States Government to-day [Aug. 9] officially recognized the Republic of Hawaii. The Hawaiian Republic was born on July 4. The last session of the constitutional convention was held on July 3 and the constitution adopted so that the date of American independence might also be the birthday of the new Republic.

1919: First for Poland

PARIS - Count Maurice Zamoyski, Minister of the Polish Republic to France, presented his

power which has been reborn in Eastern Europe. Count Zamoyski is a large landowner and possesses a wonderful collection of French paintings and a library of 100,000 volumes.

1944: Nearing Falaise WITH THE CANADIAN IST

ARMY IN FRANCE — [From our New York edition:] The two armored columns of the Canadian Army's offensive toward Falaise stood about five and six miles respectively from that vital road center tonight [Aug. 9], as the Germans appeared to be struggling to organize a last-ditch stand on the heights of the town. letters of credence to President stand on the heights of the town. Poincaré yesterday [Aug. 9]. This is the first time Poland has had unit of tanks smashed to within a diplomatic representative in five miles of Falaise last night, France since the eighteenth cen with a spectacular five-mile lunge tury. Count Zamoyski expressed which carried them through the his personal pleasure at being the prepared defense positions around first to represent in France the the village of Bretteville le Rebet.

Convert Haitian Refugees Into Police

WASHINGTON — Invading Haiti would be easy, since the country has the equivalent of the Podunk Fire Department for a military. The hard part would be pacifying the country, and keeping it paci-fied, after an invasion pushed the thugs out of office. The solution is staring us right in the face, although the policymakers cannot seem to see it.

Right now there are thousands of Haitian refugees penned up in camps at Guantánamo and elsewhere. Among those refugees are plenty of able men and women who could be trained right on the ground where they are now languishing to be Haiti's nation-

al police force.
Military officers who have done it say they could train such a force in the basics in three months. They suggest that a small cadre of police professionals should command, train and stick with the force for at least two years.

The United States has people qualified to train and command a Haitian police force. But it would be more politic to have the United Nations or the Organization of American States hire a training cadre from another Caribbean nation such as the Bahamas. This would avoid the image of white colonialists running the show one more time.

France could be helpful here. The work would not be training Haitian refugees to run at Claymore mines in amoushes or knock out tanks. It would be

work that gives civilians the sense of security and hope that they need to get up in the morn-. ing and pursue their dreams.

U.S. Marines, with United Nations blessing, would do the invading and leave Haiti after that job was done and civil au-thority was restored. (The Unit-ed States tried occupying Haiti from 1915 to 1934, with negative results. There is no education in

the second kick of a mule.) Imagine a group of smartly uniformed Haitian police persons, bright men and women, keeping gangsters off the docks, protecting politicians of all parties, patrolling neighborhoods, breaking up the riots that the deposed dictators would stage, guarding farmers as they took produce to market, responding to 911 calls, speaking at schools

and evolving into role models.

A trained, motivated, wellequipped national police force led by untouchables (not crooks doing the bidding of the politicians) could have a band, a soccer team, a baseball team. Sound corny? I went to Nicaragua at the height of its last civil war expecting to hear all about the contras from the people there, but all they wanted to talk about was American baseball. Let's listen to the little people on this

one, not the power brokers.

President Bill Clinton, as a dummies with bayonets, set precondition for asking marines to risk their lives, should obtain ironclad, public, UN-certified training them in the basic police pledges from Jean-Bertrand contributed this comment.

By George C. Wilson Aristide that he will tolerate a national police force with the independence of America's own FBI. Otherwise there should be no invasion to restore Father Aristide, the elected president of Haiti, to power. He is no great humanitarian and probably would not tolerate a force of

untouchables on his own. President Clinton is already trying to recruit a UN force to run Haiti after the invasion. But troopers who served in Somalia as part of the UN peacekeeping force report that the command and control conflicts among the various nationalities were far worse than admitted officially. The same kinds of conflicts would arise in Haiti. Also, if the work were to become dangerous in Haiti, as it did in Somalia, nations would pull their troops out. A Haitian police force

would stay. It would be home. What is the worst that could happen if the United States or the United Nations recruited, trained, equipped and officered a Haitian police force? Some of the Haitians would get killed. Father Aristide could go back on his pledges and abolish the independent force. The experiment could fail. All those things could happen to any UN force that Mr.

Clinton manages to put together. The best thing that could happen would be that the United States would demonstrate a better way to help countries in need.

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The Pope and Waldheim

Mr. Waldheim is to ask too much. Yet this is not the first time Kurt Wald-

- THE WASHINGTON POST.



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Europe Can Stage Parades But Can't Act in Rwanda

By Philip H. Gordon

the common foreign and security pol-icy announced in grandiose fashion at the 1991 Maastricht summit has British, French, German and Italian been poor. It started on the wrong troops to replace the French continfoot - with Germany wresting an foot — with Germany wresting an gent scheduled for departure on agreement to recognize Croatia and Aug. 22. The force should be given Slovenia from its reluctant EU part- a UN mandate and should take the ners - and has got little better since.

Cooperation in Yugoslavia has been inconsistent; there have been disagreements about NATO's role and about expanding the Union to the East; The European Union has been absent from the crises in Somalia, North Korea, and Haiti; and the call for a common European defense

There is still a chance for the European Union to show that its 'common foreign policy' is not the dead letter it appears to be.

policy has so far gone unanswered. Perhaps the greatest success for the policy so far was the marching of the live-nation Eurocorps down the Champs-Elysées, where, however, no enemy troops were to be found, and no hymenitaries and many different properties.

no humanitarian aid was delivered.
The biggest problem with the policy was its excessive ambition. The perspectives, interests and habits of historic (and former enemy) nations cannot be harmonized by decree. The institutional recipe invented at Maastricht — by which majority voting would be used for foreign policy in those areas where there was a consensus to use it - was a clever way of pretending to have adopted majority voting while pre-serving the principle of a national veto. (In effect, you need a consensus to proceed without a consensus).

is the common foreign and security policy empty? Not necessarily, but it will be if European leaders cannot muster the will to act when a problem that is crying out for a European solution - Rwandan tragedy - is

staring them in the face. Rwanda is a classic case to which the theory and logic of the common security and foreign policy should apply: Joint European action would spread the costs and risks of a humanitarian or military intervention, reduce the suspicions of individual actors with potential national agendas, provide a balarice between countries too far away to care and too close to be impartial; and bear a realistic chance that European interests would be similar enough to hold the EU coalition together.

Yet when the Europeans had a chance last month to act together da, they stood aside with excuses and traded old recriminations about each other's ulterior motives. Instead of sending peacekeepers, medical units or food, the EU leaders attacked the problem with communiques.

an reform, proletarianizing "rest-less peasants" and providing "harvests to subsidize the goals of urban industrial growth and export Now that the scale of the tragedy has shocked the United States into action and countries other than France have begun to send troops to Rwanda, the opportunity for a European intervention may seem lost (along with the lives an earlier intervention might have saved).

In fact, there is still a chance for the European Union to get its act together and show that its "common

ONDON — The European foreign policy" is not the dead letter Union's record in implementing it now appears. The Union should right now be preparing a joint military-humanitarian force including lead, with the assistance of African troops, in creating the conditions for the safe return home of the thousands of refugees that are now under threat in Zaire. UN commanders have al-

ready expressed concern about their

ability to maintain order and aid de-

liveries if French troops depart with-

out effective replacements. The European Union is well placed to undertake this vital mission. A joint European intervention would help get around one of the biggest problems that plagued French efforts to create safe havens. Despite France's assertions that its mission was purely humanitarian, the Rwandan Patriotic Front did not believe that Paris would let its former Hutu clients fall or be put on trial. The Front's justifiable suspicions make France the worst possible single actor to intervene, and Paris should not be left alone to try to sort out the mess that Rwanda is bound to be in when France's UN mandate runs out. The presence of other European countries, would take away the possibility that

France was intervening to serve its own interests in Africa. Rwanda is an ideal place for the German government to exercise its newly found freedom of maneuver in the wake of the Federal Constitutional Court's recent decision to allow the use of Bundeswehr troops abroad. Television images of German soldiers helping sick and starv-

The Green Revolution

Eric B. Ross (A Mahhusian Pre-

mise Empties the Countryside,"

Opinion, July 5) and Jessica Mathews ("A Small Price to Pay for Prov-

ing Malthus Wrong," June 9) have

discussed the Green Revolution in

developing-country agriculture and the role of the Consultative Group on International Agricultural Re-

Mr. Ross is sharply critical of the Green Revolution and of CGIAR,

which he says is turning its back ou

the "enormous potential of peasant agriculture." Thus he urges a "re-

deployment of global agricultural

The Green Revolution - the use

of modern food-crop breeding

tries — is for Mr. Ross but a West-

em plot that aims at curbing agrari-

expansion," goals that he says the West imposed on the Third World.

with it the creation of CGIAR, real-

ly a sinister Cold War plot designed

to fight communism? Why should

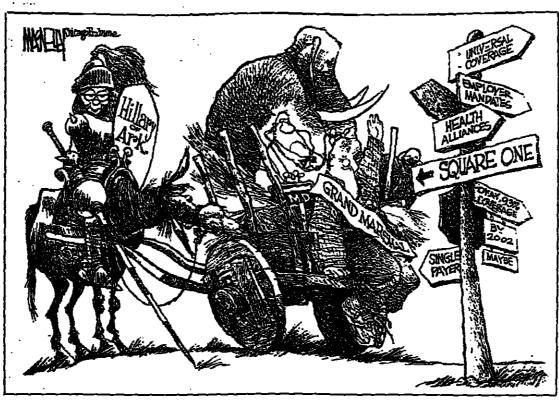
perfictious Cold Warriors have pur-

sued "agranian reform in reverse" to

drive "peasants off the land"?

Was the Green Revolution, and

search, or CGIAR.



ing children, clearing mines, and building housing would be helpful in improving historic images of the German military and in generating support for German peacekeeping or humanitarian missions within Germany and abroad. Beyond public relations, Germany's large and well-equipped military forces could make a very real contribution to Europe's ability to deliver aid and or

protect refugee zones. While none of the options for outpect the Americans to remain deepengaged in a region where its

did not arrive, especially in sub-Saha-

ran Africa. Where the Green Revolu-

tion was most successful, such as on

the Indian subcontinent, migrant la-

bor was attracted to the irrigated ar-

eas with their intensive agriculture.

Employment increased and small

farmers benefited, after a short time,

lution especially benefited the poor.

who spend up to 80 percent of their

income on food. Rice and wheat

prices have declined by an average

of 40 percent since the Green Revo-

lution began, and nutrition of the poor has improved. Today the aver-

age Asian consumes 16 percent

Have peasants been impoverished

by agricultural modernization? No.

in launching a Green Revolution

in the vast semi-arid zones of Africa,

Asia and Latin America. Even there

science and better agricultural poli-

cies are bringing gradual progress. During the last decade. Africa's

food-crop yields rose by 3 percent,

I percentage point better than dur-

Mr. Ross says that "the West nev-

er intended to secure the livelihood

of peasants." But in virtually all

nonoil developing countries in Asia

and Latin America that are now

classed as newly industrialized,

ing the two earlier decades.

The harvests of the Green Revo-

as greatly as large farmers.

more rice than in 1965.

techniques to boost agricultural The poorest farmers can be found

Rural-urban migration is strongest strong agricultural development

today where the Green Revolution preceded the current phase of rapid

authority to a better-organized force. Rwanda back together. Neighboring African states have lack the political organization and are not yet in place simply will not military and economic resources to do. Europe should get on with its intervene without Western help, and common foreign and security policy in any case are subject to the same when it has the opportunity to do so, suspicions and realities of ulterior or it should stop talking about it.

Of all the potential outside actors in this tragedy, the European Union has the best package of means, interests, and organizational capabilities to sustain an effective mission.

mand needed to drive urban and

If a "redeployment of global agri-

culture resources" is needed, it

should be in favor of international

and national research systems. Their

work has consistently shown the

highest impact per invested dollar of all Third World development activi-

ties; it is an effective way to make

developing agriculture sustainable.

A steady flow of improved tech-

nologies for food production will be

needed to feed the world's people in

years ahead, while protecting natu-

ral resources from overexploitation

driven by poverty, inadequate farm-

ing technology and, very often, in-

The Devastation of Manila

Regarding the report "Spin of

While I do not wish to ignore the

destruction suffered by Hiroshima

and Nagasaka in August 1945, I

believe the Smithsonian Institu-

tion's intention to feature those two

cities in an exhibit is wrong because

Smithsonian's Hiroshima Script Un-

ALEXANDER von der OSTEN.

Executive Secretary.

Consultative Group on

Research. Washington.

International Agricultural

appropriate policies.

der Fire" (July 22):

industrial development.

national interests are not at stake. intervention in Rwanda after Aug. 22 The United Nations, as we have would be easy. There would be cerseen in this crisis, is overburdened, tain costs and uncertain risks intoo diverse, too bureaucratic, and volved. But a successful demonstra-lacking an autonomous military force tion of Europe's ability to act as one or intelligence-gathering capabilities; in Rwanda would not only do wonit can only act when its member dets for the wounded psychology of states are prepared to do so, and acts European unity, it would provide the most effectively when it can delegate best chance around for putting

Complaints that it is too soon or a useful role to play, but these states that Europe's institutions or forces

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Whatever Way You Slice It, This Is Sure a Fishy Story

By Jan Hoffman

NEW YORK — This is a tale of art and commerce, of sex discrimination and smoked fish, of due bar's was always the best. process and Zabar's, the noted New York specialty grocery.

On one side is a determined young woman seeking justice be-cause her salmon-slicing skills, she believes, have been impugned.

On the other is her employer, who believes that anyone who mangles a nice piece of fish should not be paid

MEANWHILE

the same as more seasoned counterparts - regardless of whether they all happen to be men.

And making the determination whether Murray Klein fired Eleanor Wolper or whether she quit her job was Judge Dennis Aloysius Dooley.
To generations of New York's

slicers and buyers, an elegant sliver of fish is art on a waxed paper canvas. It's a stressful situation: in the demanding world of deli galleries. everyone's a critic.

The artist, however, is almost never a woman. Mr. Klein, 71, a co-owner of Zabar's, acknowledged this situation, but said that he was not to blame. "Women are sensitive about the smell of fish," he said. 'Men aren't. Women don't like the stink on their clothes."

Ms. Wolper, an earnest but easily flustered woman of 27, does not fit

the image of a harrier breaker. But she has the fever. Raised on the Lower East Side, she would often travel to Zabar's to watch the salmon slicers.

"I have an affinity for cutting salmon," she said wistfully as she waited last week for her case to be

"I get chills thinking about it -it's so beautiful to watch. And Za-

Even Mr. Klein said that for a beginner. Ms. Wolper was pretty good. The customers benefited, he said, because "she wasn't as rude as

the men." But Mr. Klein and Ms. Wolper disagree about just how stylish a slicer she was. Once Mr. Klein scooped up a discarded salmon skin from a bucket, yelling at her because there was too much flesh left. She had been, in the vernacular, hacking up the fish.

"I said it wasn't my skin!" said Ms. Wolper, her cheeks flushing. 'He told me to caim down."

Mr. Klein is so obsessed with Zabar's that he cannot understand why Ms. Wolper would quit her exaited post. But quit he said, is what she

Ms. Wolper has two actions against Zabar's. After, as she says. Mr. Klein fired her because she wasted too much fish and wanted too big a raise, she filed a claim of discrimination with the New York State Division of Human Rights. In it, she said she had been grossly

underpaid. After she left, she collected unemployment benefits. In June, the state Labor Department cut them off because Zabar's reported that she had left her job voluntarily. If she could not prove otherwise, she might have to return the \$1,980 she had re-

A hearing on that decision was held last week at the department's Brooklyn office before Mr. Dooley, an administrative law judge.

Mr. Klein and his lawyer, Eugene Eisner, showed up to challenge her appeal. Ms. Wolper, who could not alford a lawyer, but did bring her mother, Marjorie, a forceful woman who was very angry with Mr. Klein. Ms. Wolper testified that last fall she asked for a \$6 raise to \$14 an hour — "it was supposed to be a bargaining position," she whis-

On Friday, April Fool's Day, the new rate finally came through: 50 cents more an hour. Her mother told her to march back into Zabar's and

talk to Mr. Klein. "I lose money on you," Ms. Wolper testified that Mr. Klein yelled. "You hack up the fish. Get

out of my store." Mr. Klein told a different story. He said the argument occurred on April 2, and so she must have quit. because he would never fire someone on a Saturday. "It's our busiest The recent bombardment of Ju- day," he testified. "I only fire people piter by fragments of the comet after the weekend." Ms. Wolper re-Shoemaker-Levy has resulted in a signed in a rage over her salary, he

pute came down to this: he said, she

Within the month he would issue . his decision, he continued, based on an evaluation of each party's demeanor and testimony. The disappointed party had the right to ap-

Ms. Wolper and her mother, looking shellshocked, left quickly. Mr. Kiein, looking equally perturbed,

lingered.
"You haven't been to my store?" he said to the judge in a wheedling tone. There is one God and one

The New York Times.

side intervention in Rwanda are perfect or easy, the European option has many advantages over all the available alternatives. The United States is the most capable, best organized, and most impartial outside force, but with Haiti, North Korea, and Bosnia on its plate, and after the Somalia disaster, no one should ex-

motives as France.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR it unwarrantedly converts the ag-GDP growth and industrialization. gressor into a victim of a war that Agriculture provided both the commodity output and the effective de-Japan unilateraly launched, while at

the same time ignoring the suffering of many cities invaded by Japanese military forces. In February 1945, Manila perhaps suffered even more destruction and loss of life than either of those two Japanese cities. In the words of the historian Wil-

liam Manchester: "The devastation of Manila was one of the great tragedies of World War II. Of Allied cities in those war years, only Warof the utilities, 75 percent of the us to make good use of it. factories, 80 percent of the southern residential district and 100 percent of the business district were razed."

city, which lasted from Feb. 3 to March 3. Most were the victims of atrocities committed against hapless men, women and children by the defending Japanese forces. I would suggest that the Smithso-

nian take advantage of the 50th anniversary of VJ-Day to demonstrate the futility of war by exhibiting photographs graphically showing the devastation and death suffered by cities throughout the Pacific theater of World War II. The exhibit could be called "The Tragedy of the Noncombatants of the Pacific War."

EDGAR KROHN Jr. Makatai, Philippines.

In Defense of Earth

Regarding "Do We Really Need to Start Bracing?" (Opinion, Aug. 6) by William Pfaff:

Mr. Pfaff suggests that it would be presumptuous of human beings to attempt to intercept a killer comet on a collision course with Earth, since that would be thwarting God's will. Sturdier spirits would argue that since for the first time in history we have the technology that should allow us to detect and intercept a comet which could destroy saw suffered more. Seventy percent life on Earth, God clearly expects

In addition, 100,000 of Manila's healthy reaction in the U.S. Con- said, leaving him perilously shortcivilian residents perished during gress, some of whose members handed, the battle for the liberation of the would like to prevent a similar cataclysm here, however remote the prospect. In fact, creating a system to guard the Earth against such catastrophes should be a global responsibility rather than a burden born by one nation.

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A AWAR SCHMILL LEAST LOTE.

New York Times Service

VIGNON, France — A young woman, an Indian dancer, sits at the edge of a round pool of black water. Floating candles ring the pool, but all else is dark. Magically, the floating candles converge toward the woman. As each nudges up to the shore, she picks it up and blows it out. Just as she is about to extinguish the last candle, she hears a soft splashing sound, looks up and sees a huge brown horse and a robed rider with a long lance reflected in the water. She blows out the last candle, all is black-

ness, and the vision is gone.

But not gone entirely. It remains in the memories of the 1,200 nightly spectators of the show "Chimere." by the Paris equestrian circus and theater troupe Zingaro. "Chimère" was the hit of this summer's Avignon Festival. A two-hour panoply of images of India, "Chimère" blended conventional circus excitement (acrobats leaping on and off galloping horses, a clown) with moments — the best moments — that were indistinguishable from art.

Most of those moments involved Bartabas, the founder and mastermind of Zinparo. He is the mysterious knight at the outset. At one point a black horse gallops across the pond, pursued by a running Bartabas spreading out his black cape like a bat. Then, after a moment's silence. Bartabas runs back through the gloom, pursued by the horse.

Later, seated on a white stallion and wearing a costume that looks like a Rudi Gernreich topless dress, Bartabas gallops around the ring that surrounds the pool, the horse twisting its head and neck choreographically, and Bartabas stretching and curling his torso, arms and fingers.

This was an adult experience, though children would love it. It began at 10 P. M. and lasted to midnight. The scene outside the box office recalled opera premieres at their most hysterical, with hundreds of people, inflamed by rapturous reviews in the national press, literally begging for tickets. People all over the world are likely to

have a chance to see Zingaro's latest spectacle. The Avignon Festival is over now, but aside from its projected two-season run at the company's permanent theater in Paris, "Chimère" is to tour Europe and Japan.
Anyone who has seen the Cirque du So-

leil of Montreal knows how the art of the circus has evolved toward theater and dance. Some commentators have written about the Montreal company as unique, or the product of some strange synergy in the French-Canadian psyche. But despite its originality, the Cirque du Soleil might better be perceived as a satellite of the larger world of the French "new circus," which has been transforming circus life here since the 1970s.

"There was a big crisis for the circus in

all of Europe in the '70s," said Bernard Thurin, director general of the Centre National des Arts du Cirque. The center, in Châlons-sur-Marne, east of Paris, houses the Ecole Superieure des Arts du Cirque, the main state circus school in France.

There is also an undergraduate circus school in Rosny-sur-Bois in the eastern suburbs of Paris, also run by Thurin and supported by both the ministry and the

"After World War II," Thurin went on,
"French circuses tried to copy the big
American circuses. But in the '70s the number of circuses and the number of spectators
deslined These was competition from talk declined. There was competition from tele-vision, and the energy crisis made it expen-sive to heat and light big tents."

Fortunately, outside forces were riding to the rescue. Theater directors — above all Jérôme Savary, who still calls his prosceni-um-theater directorial style "magic circus" became fascinated with fusions between theater and circus. Choreographers were attracted, as were filmmakers and artists from the various forms of street theater that had proliferated in the wake of the leftist, populist student uprisings of 1968.

A little later, alumni of those uprisings infiltrated first the lower, then the upper reaches of the French cultural bureaucracy. The Ministry of Culture began subsi-dizing circuses in 1979, when the right was still in power. But like so much else in French cultural life, the subsidies and programs grew under the Socialist Jack Lang. and have continued under the Gaullist

Thurin mentioned three Lang circus initiatives, two of which survive. There are his schools and a circus documentation center in Châlons. There was an attempt to create state-supported circus troupe, but that foundered. Finally, there is a national circus association, which disburses \$2 million in annual government subsidies to 35 circuses. Thurin's schools get more than \$3 million a year.

MONG the best-known "new circuses," which are also called "modern circuses" or "creative circuses," are the Volière Dromesko, a brilliant bird circus based in Rennes that was a hit in Avignon last summer; Royal de Luxe, which created a 50-foot giant at the celebration in Calais for the opening of the Eurotunnel to England; the Cirque Plume; the Cirque Baroque; and the Cirque Archaos, which with its Mad Max-style motorized vehicles recalls the music-theater troupe La Fura dels Baus in Barcelona.

The new circus has not supplanted the traditional circus in France. Family-dominated circuses, proud of their traditions and resistant to trendy innovations, still dominate the scene in terms of ticket sales.

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A scene from "Chimère," the French equestrian theater spectacle.

Kristallnacht Parable: Miller's 'Broken Glass'

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribune

ONDON - Sometimes I think we don't deserve Arthur Miller, on either side of the Atlantic; in his native America, he is relegated to short or nonexistent Broadway runs while New York occupies itself with yet another musical revival. Over here there

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are sneers about his "greatest living dramatist" status; anyone got any other con-

Miller's "Broken Glass" (at the National) is a breathtakingly brilliant exploration of the paralysis that overtook America in November 1938 as news of the Nazi persecution of the Jews just after Kristallnacht

reached their Brooklyn cousins.

Miller has chosen to give this paralysis a living form: a woman (Margot Leicester) suddenly finds that she cannot move her legs. Her husband (Henry Goodman as a later-life Willy Loman) and her doctor (Ken Stott) eventually understand that the paralysis is sexual and social as well as political and racial. But on the way to that discovery, "Broken Glass" travels through psychiatry, history and geography to give the analysis of a woman and a world in total moral breakdown.

The eventual cure lies only in death, and not that of the patient. Miller's message here is that forgiveness and understanding are all that we need, though a little love would not come amiss. The waste is of lives in Brooklyn as well as Berlin, and the destruction is of ourselves by ourselves. In its way, "Broken Glass" is as chilling a play as Miller has ever written. This play is a kind of coda to much of Miller's earlier writing. It brings together themes of "After the Fall" and "The American Clock" but sets them for cello rather than full orchestra. Once again, his director, David Thacker, has done him proud.

After the "radical re-evaluation" of "An Inspector Calls," I began to fear that we would never get to see pure Priestley again. The great news from Chichester is therefore of Keith Baxter and "Dangerous Corner." Victorian society life in particular.

Last summer, also on Chichester's Minerva stage, it was Baxter who gave us enough "Rope" to satisfy those of us who thought we would never get Patrick Hamilton back

Now, in an equally brilliant rediscovery, he gives us Priestley's earliest play, admittedly with both intervals taken out but in all other respects exactly as the dramatist wrote and would recognize it. Like "Rope," this too is a murderous bisexual thriller even if the body has been longer dead.

Baxter has assembled an infinitely stylish cast (Gayle Hunnicuft, Emily Raymond, Peter McEnery, Christopher Timothy) and what they play is "Private Lives" laced with arsenic and old hate. Nobody here is sexually what he pretends to be, and everyone (except an eccentric old novelist) has entered a liaison that is now so dangerous that it can only be unraveled by violence.

Philip Prowse is a director who designs his own major productions, so for "Lady Windermere's Fan" (Albery), we start with the sets: sumptuous drawing rooms, cur-tains and carpets so thick that characters seem to be fighting their way through them and yet perfectly representative of Wilde's already crumbling world, like a greenhouse in decay. This was, just over a century ago, the play that made his name and indirectly led to his downfall. It was also a moral comedy, both socialist and feminist in its own subversive way, and Prowse has rightly seen it as a fable about an aristocracy in anguished ambivalence.

Francesca Annis leads a powerhouse cast. Wilde's "Good Woman" subtitle leaves us in no doubt how he feels about the notorious Mrs. Erlynne, but Prowse suggests that their creator loathes the rest of his characters more or less equally. The Darlingtons are both priggish and unforgiving; Cecil Graham is a bloated old queen on the make; Tuppy is a buffoon, and it is only the "woman with a past" who has the grace and the dignity to uphold the old values of tolerance and forgiveness.

Wilde's play moves from high-society comedy to the drama of a marriage in distress and as it does so one can, even here, find the shadows lengthening around Victorian society in general and Wilde's



Francesca Annis as Mrs. Erlynne.

'Don Giovanni' for 'New' Salzburg

By Edward Rothstein New York Times Service

ALZBURG - On paper, the new production of Mozart's "Don Giovanni" at the Salzburg Festival looked like another intriguing attempt by Gerard Mortier to shape a new artistic culture for this tradition-minded town: a staging of Mozart's greatest opera by Patrice Chércau, who in 1976 radically for Bayreuth.

A Chéreau "Don Giovanni" also fit with other programming this season. Mortier, the festival's artistic director, has been winning major political and artistic battles here. His third season has an almost pastoral character compared with the

But the old festival culture is still strong, and declarations of independence from the past are still being made. That is partly the point, for example, of the two Beethoven symphony cycles by the Chamber Orchestra of Europe conducted by Nikolaus Harnoncourt. (Under Herbert von Karajan such an epic series would have featured the

Vienna Philharmonic.) So this "Don Giovanni" wa meant to be a milestone in the new era: put Daniel Barenboim drama as if it were a conven-in the pit, have Chereau work tionally realistic stage play, but ello. his iconoclastic stage effects his characterizations mix But Bartoli nearly stole the and cast Cecilia Bartoli as Zer-flashes of insight with crippling show with her almost fragrant lina to draw unsuspecting tradi- contradictions. risk of confusing this with the pseudonamralistic "Don Giovanni" of the Karrian and the confusion of the confusi vanni" of the Karajan years.

been associated with the old much to create a firm foundation for the new one. The sets, by Richard Peduzzi,

are meant to create an almost abstract background for the playing out of primal forces; they are flat, dimly lighted representations of characterless buildings and alleys in Don Giovanni's Seville. Sections of the stage are elevated to create a beach, a table, the tomb of the Commendatore. There is no garden, no churchyard. The effect is less of crisp restraint than of unremitting tedium. "Don Giovanni" is an opera with light, color and shadow; here,

all is dull and airless. The intention was probably to let Chereau work his magic with the characters, allowing them to stand out against the settings. But Chéreau, it turns

not above pulling Leporello's hair, physically grabbing Zer-lina, putting Donna Anna in a Unfortunately, while this production could hardly have headlock; there is no convincbeen associated with the old ing reason why such a figure Salzburg Festival, it does not do would be humbled enough by the Act I finale to be crawling.

> far more bravely to the ghostly Commendatore). Donna Elvira seems to inhabit a symbolic universe one moment veiled in black. blindly writhing in agony and act like a neurotic coquette the next.

> In the midst of all of this, Barenboim's conducting of the Vienna Philharmonic was exasperating. Tempos were languid and unsteady; rhythms were slack. He was obviously aiming creates that using dance steps and sensions melody

HERE were pleasures Furlanetto's sleekly out, has nothing very compelling to say. He has staged the tore and Bryn Terfel's infectioned it.

But Bartoli nearly stole the show with her almost fragrant innocence; she made Lella Cuberli's Donna Anna, Peter Seiffert's Don Ottavio and Andreas Kohn's Masetto seem relatively characteriess, as if they were items in a list of Don Giovanni's erotic conquests and rivals. Catherine Mallitano had some spark as Donna Elvira, but not enough consistency.

eau is continuing to revise, emphasizes, in fact, how risky the creation of a new artistic culture is. Though the festival's sales are said to be strong, there are posters advertising "lastminute tickets" for nearly all programs; this would have been unheard of a few years ago.

But there are triumphs to put beside this uninspired "Don Giovanni," like "The Rake's Progress." And as a reminder of Salzburg at its best, there was a for a somber effect, but Mozart recital of duets by Felicity Lott and Ann Murray, accompanied by Graham Johnson, at the Mozarteum. In this recital, the melodic lines of Britten, Mendelsto be had in Ferruccio sohn, Rossini, Brahms, Gounod and Faure seemed effortlessly articulate Don, Matti spun into translucent fabrics of sound. Mozart would have

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Reviewed by Christopher Lehmann-Haupt

I easy as dogs for people to make friends with, which may explain why Elizabeth Marshall Thomas's new book, "The Tribe of Tiger: Cats and Their the warm appeal of her bestselling book of last year, "The Hidden Life of Dogs."

But cats, too, have their considerable allure, as Thomas makes clear in her introductory reference to Christopher Smart, the 18th-century English poet who found during his eight-year solitary confinement in a madhouse that his only relief from loneliness and despair was provided by the presence of his cat, Jeoffry. Smart devoted 75 radiant lines to Jeoffry in an otherwise endless, rambling poem. Thomas has taken the title of her book from this poem because while we tend to say "that tigers are a kind of cat rather than that cats are a kind of tiger, the fact is that cats and tigers do represent the two ex-

tremes of one family, the alpha and omega of their kind." This is important to see, Thomas stresses, because what distinguishes all members of the cat family is that they are hunt-

ers of meat. Much about their

this light, from their remarkable physical attributes to their mysterious emotions.

Because they are hunters, an anything from an adult deer to a loaf of Italian bread, at least in the author's own experience.

It accounts for why "pound for pound, cats are by far the N many ways, cats are not as strongest animals many of us ever encounter," why they rarely leave tracks, why their intes-tines are short — "since meat is easy to digest and doesn't re-Tribe of Tiger: Cats and Their quire a long, heavy gut that Culture," does not have quite would weigh a cat down" and why a puma the author knew could catch a fly out of the air between the pads of its

Cats' meat-eating explains why their territoriality resembles that of a rancher raising cattle; why males commit in-fanticide (to kill the kittens of the rivals they overcome is to dispose of inferior genes), and why pets present their owners with half-dead creatures (they are offering them lessons in how to kill).

Even cats' emotions can be traced to their meat hunting, Thomas believes.

"Many expressions of a cat's feelings seem deeply related to the capture of live prey," she writes. "An excited, happy, or much relieved cat may ambush and pounce upon whatever triggers its pleasure - something worth considering before get-ting a large cat all worked up." What is most surprising of all

about her portrait is that con-

THE TRIBE OF TIGER: behavior can be understood in trary to Rudyard Kipling, cats on the hub and the others ardo not really walk by them-selves, waving their wild tails in the wet wild woods, but in fact are highly social.

They only seem unsocial because their system is less like dogs' "ladderlike social arwheel, with a high-ranking cat Times.

ranged around the rim, all reluctantly acknowledging the superiority of the despot but not necessarily measuring themselves against each other

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Critic of Beijing Offers to Resign

HONG KONG - Jimmy Lai, the retail and publishing maverick whose magazine recently attacked Prime Minister Li Peng of China, offered Tuesday to resign as chairman and director of Giordano Holdings Ltd. after Beijing shut

Mr. Lai's move generated strong inter-

"It's still too early to say how much manship of a company he started in

HONG KONG - China

and Britain reached basic

agreement on financing for

Hong Kong's \$20 billion air-

port, a Hong Kong govern-ment spokesman said Tues-

day.

Beijing's top official on air-

port matters, the director of

the Hong Kong and Macao affairs office, Lu Ping, said China basically agrees with

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effort to offer "one-stop" telecommuni-

Chief executives of Cox Cable Com-

cations services to consumers.

billion for equipment this autumn in an media ventures.

Beijing store was an isolated event related to "certain licensing formalities."

Chow said. "In terms of the day-to-day operations at Giordano, it wouldn't matter too much if he resigned." What's more, analysts said they did not expect Mr. Lai to sell his 37 percent stake in Giordano nor his 49 percent

Tiger, even if he does resign.

Mr. Lai is famous for sneaking into

1975, but it said China's closure of the into a \$300 million-a-year operation growing quickly throughout Asia. He decided to start Next in response to the violent suppression of pro-democracy protests in Beijing's Tiananmen Square in 1989.

> Since it first appeared three years ago, Next has become a best seller offering a gutsy menu of stories on local business corruption and activities of the triad crime syndicates while pulling few punches in its coverage of China. The editorial policy has brought death threats and fire bombings from the triads and a libel suit last month from China. An article Mr. Lai wrote for Next last month criticized Mr. Li by name, calling him a "turtle's egg," a grievous insult in

> Chinese. The potential of the huge China market has been slow to translate into profits for the casual clothes retailer.

Barclays Profit Triples on Cuts In Provisions

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - Barclays PLC, vill, a fund manager at Guin-

Britain's largest retail bank, said Tuesday its pretax profit in the first half tripled to £1.04 prospects are doubtful, and billion (\$1.6 billion) as the British economic recovery enabled it to reduce provisions for bad

Andrew Buxton, the bank's chairman, said he was "optimis- of 1993. tic we can keep up the progress in the second half." Provision for bad debt fell 64

percent, to £358 million. But neither the earnings increase nor a 23 percent increase in the company's dividend impressed investors, who were disappointed by falling operating profit, lower net interest income and shrinking growth opportunities.

Despite initial euphoria on the London Stock Exchange, where shares rose more than 3 percent in early trading, Bar-

clays shares closed Tuesday at 568 pence, up only 4 pence. "A lot of the work has been done through the provision side, and the concerns over un-

derlying performance are still

dend is that we want to be as generous as we can while safeguarding the group's capital po-sition," Mr. Buxton said. "We were able to accomplish both in the first balf."

there," said Christopher Bur-

more will depend on action tak-

The company boosted its

first-half dividend to 8 pence

from 6.5 pence in the first half

"The message on the divi-

en by the board."

He said he hoped this meant a return to real dividend increases for shareholders. Bar-clays cut the dividend in 1992 and left it unchanged last year.

The first-half profit included a gain of £87 million from business disposals during the period and the reduction in bad-debt provisions.

Stripping out these figures, pretax profit was £310 million, down 7.5 percent from the previous year. On an operating level, which includes the one-time gains but does not eliminate provisions, profit fell 8 percent, to £1.23 billion.

The company's U.S. division showed a major improvement. benefiting from a steep fall in tion of mortgage servicing

Oliver Stocken, finance director, said people had "underestimated the recovery in the

"Barclays have a lot more work to do," said Tim Clarke, an analyst at Panmure Gordon,

who rated the stock a "sell." "They had a much more traumatic experience during the recession and haven't yet got to

pushing capital into developing the business," he said. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

By Kevin Murphy

emational Herald Tribune down a Giordano outlet.

est in Hong Kong, where self-censorship in media and business circles has increased markedly as the colony approaches the 1997 return to Chinese rule.

Giordano has been hurt by this," said Wilson Chow, an analyst with Schroder Securities (HK) Ltd. "But it can't help." In a statement to the Hong Kong Stock Exchange, Giordano confirmed Mr. Lai's offer to relinquish the chairAt first glance, the offer appeared more cosmetic than substantive, analysis

said. Mr. Lai has played a nonexecutive role at Giordano since starting Next magazine, which he plans to list on the Hong Kong exchange next year. "He may be tempted to concentrate

more on the media business now," Mr.

holding in its unlisted China affiliate.

Hong Kong from China as a youth and turning his ideas about customer service

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"We want to be one-stop shopping for

communications customers," said John

Malone, chairman of Tele-Communica-

lion dollars of debt.

NEW YORK — Four of the largest market. It now appears as if the two U.S. cable television companies said industries will fight each other for cus-

Tuesday they would spend more than \$2 tomers, rather than cooperate on multi-

sion reported.

China and U.K. Agree on Hong Kong Airport

cally agrees with raising the ing one of the main disputes

airport debt ceiling to 23 bil- over the territory's reversion

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Cable Companies Move In on Telecommunications

TVB said.

lion dollars, but he warned the to Chinese control in 1997. British side to keep its word China must approve the al, which Britain submitted to about the project, reiterating funding package because the debt financing is likely to rethat the amount should be capped at 23 billion dollars quire payments beyond 1997. airport and its railway link and that the territory should

A spokesman, John Elliot, said Britain and China still The sides are working on final wording that will allow needed to iron out issues relating mainly to the agreement's wording on maximum debt. the project to proceed, clear-

munications Inc., Continental Cablevi-sion Inc., Comcast Corp. and Tele-Com-ny such as his did not have the kind of munications Inc. said they each "technical handicap" that the regional intended to offer high-definition television, wireless telephone, video on de-Mr. Malone acknowledged that it was

mand, basic telephone and computer ironic to be talking with fellow cable on cable rates. executives about consolidating the in-The upgrades to their networks will dustry. Just a few months ago, several allow them to compete directly with the cable companies were proposing alli-

providing voice, data and video services phone companies no longer want to provisions and in the amortiza-to homes and businesses. share the information superhighway tion of mortgage servicing "It's a dynamic world, and I still don't

rule out anything," Mr. Malone said.
Last year, Bell Atlantic Corp., the Philadelphia-based Baby Bell, proposed to merge with Tele-Communications in a \$21.4 billion transaction, and Southwestern Bell Corp. proposed to form a \$4.9 billion joint venture with Cox.

Both alliances fell through after the Federal Communications Commission imposed rollbacks totaling 17 percent

The prospect of a tie-up among Ameritech Corp., BellSouth Corp., South-western Bell Corp. and Walt Disney Co., seven regional Bell operating companies ances with phone companies in hopes of announced Monday, shows that U.S.

with cable-TV rivals.

Disney and the three regional phone companies said they were holding talks on forming a venture to develop interactive entertainment and information services for American homes "This bypasses the cable folks," said

Arthur Gruen of the media consultancy Wilkofsky Gruen Associates.

The three companies serve about 50 million customers and compete, along with other phone groups, with the cable-TV industry in building a system to deliver on-demand movies, electronic shopping and other futuristic services.

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

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By Thomas Crampton International Herold Tribune

ARIS - Small is not beautiful in the cigarette industry: About 99 percent of cigarettes worldwide are sold by multinationals or nationalized cigarette companies. Yet two small companies have succeeded in elbowing their way into the \$86 billion American and British markets, using original but diametrically opposed sales

"It's not like rounding up cattle in the Grand Canyon. It's not like hanging around in a jungle fighting with crocodiles. Cigarette smoking is very simple; it's going to make you dead," said B. J. Cunningham, president of London-based Enlightened Tobacco Co., referring to some recent cigarette advertisements. His company's cigarettes, Death and Death Lights, are sold in packets sporting a skull and crossbones.

On the other hand, Natural American Cigarettes use the imagery of the Old West, but seen from a different saddle. The original concept for Natural American Spirit products was based on traditional American Indian usage of tobacco in its natural state," according to Robin Sommers, president of Santa Fe Tobacco Co. This means that no unhealthy additives, reconstituted scrap tobacco or chemically derived flavor enhancers are used.

Small cigarette companies such as these make up an infinitesimal share of the world market, according to Glenn John, international editor of Tobacco International, "Virtually 100 percent of the market is made by large companies; for your companies like Enlightened To-

bacco Co. and Santa Fe, they represent not even a percentage point," he said.

on-line services.

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To make headway in an industry that tends to sell its products with advertising campaigns of striking similarity, these companies have moved ahead with marketing methods counter to industry norms and -- some would say -- common sense.

Mr. Cunningham of Enlightened Tobacco said his company was banking on truth to sell cigarettes: "Our cigarette is called Death, they're going to kill you, smoke these. 'Choose Death' is essentially what we're say-

Initially there was difficulty in distribution because of the established companies. "It's a classic oligopoly. Between them they control in excess of 95 percent market share," Mr. Cunningham said. "They're in each other's pockets, and they're in bed with each other, and they don't like other people coming in and looking at their marketplace. Especially if the other person is carrying a skull and cross bones and called Death — and I can under-

But the brand appears to have moved beyand the level of novelty. Sales have jumped from £30,000 (\$46,200) a year in 1992 to a level projected to be £6 million this year. according to Mr. Cunningham.

As for the taste of Death, it is a lot like Benson and Hedges, Mr. Cunningham said. Any similarity to the large commercial brands would be considered a failure by New Mexico-based Santa Fe Natural Tobacco. The main difference in taste may be attribut-

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Fears of Fed **Cut Interest** In Bond Sale

NEW YORK - U.S. government bonds fell for a second day on Tuesday as market par-ticipants shied away from a Treasury debt sale amid expec-tations that the Federal Reserve

was poised to raise rates. The benchmark 30-year U.S. Treasury bond closed at 84 19/32, off 8/32 from Monday. The yield was quoted at 7.57 percent, up three basis points

from Monday. The \$17 billion three-year note sale, the first leg of the Treasury's \$40 billion sale of notes and bonds this week, drew an average yield of 6.61 percent, just above the 6.60 percent that was the average mar-

ket forecast. Traders said customers of major bond-trading companies were not inclined to buy debt because of two elements of uncertainty in the market.

In addition to nervousness about a meeting of Federal Rerve policymakers next week, inflation figures for July are scheduled to be released in a

few days.

"Customers appear to be genuinely disinterested," said Bill Feezer, a trader at Sanwa

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Stocks Overcome **Initial Rate Fears**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — U.S. stocks posted a slight gain Tuesday as interest-rate jitters overshadowed gains in chemicals and technology shares.

Traders said stocks were also depressed by weak demand at the U.S. Treasury's sale of \$40 billion of new debt.

The Dow Jones industrial average of 30 stocks ended 1.95

U.S. Stocks

points higher at 3.755.76. Declining issues outnumbered advances by about 10 to 9 on the New York Stock Exchange. Volume totaled 259.1 million shares.

Stocks were pulled down by concern that next week's Federal Reserve policy meeting would lead to higher interest rates. Dealers now await inflation data later in the week. The price of the benchmark 30-year Treasury bond fell

8/32, pushing its yield up to 7.57 percent from 7.54 percent. Exxon shares dropped % to 581/2 after the company's largest American petrochemical plant was rocked by a series of explosions and a fire. Other oil stocks weakened alongside Exxon.

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American Cyanamid shares rose 1%, to 92%, after American Home Products said it would bypass Cyanamid executives and take its \$8.5 billion bid straight to shareholders and the

International Business Machines jumped 1 to 644 amid expectations of stronger sales of personal computers. Intel rose ⊾ to 58%.

Union Carbide climbed 1 to

quire the maker of data communications equipment in a stock swap. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

Storage Technology fell 2 to

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Dollar Loses Its High On Lackluster Auction

NEW YORK - The dollar closed little changed against other major currencies Tuesday, retreating from the day's highs after the first installment of the Treasury's quarterly debt sale met with less enthusiastic

Foreign Exchange

buying than many traders had

expected.

Meantime, the Canadian dollar jumped to a two-month high against its U.S. counterpart after a poll released last weekend showed waning separatist senti-ment in Canada. The U.S. currency fell to 1.3724 Canadian dollars from Monday's closing price of 1.3773.

Many traders sold dollars after the Treasury's sale of \$17 billion of three-year notes met with tepid demand.

The dollar had risen in London during the morning amid speculation that the auction would go well. The U.S. curren-

cy closed at 1.5818 Deutsche marks, down from 1.5880 DM in London trading and from Monday's 1.5825 DM closing in New York

The dollar also closed at 101.295 yen, slightly down from 101 500 yen Monday.

Many traders are waiting to see how the rest of the Treasury sale goes this week.

Traders are also waiting for price reports scheduled for release this week to see if the inflation rate is rising fast enough to prompt the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates.

"By this time next week, we'll have a much clearer picture of the U.S. economy," said Paul Farrell, manager of strategic currency trading at Chase Manhattan Bank.

The dollar was slightly lower against other major Continental currencies, finishing at 5.4190 French francs compared with 5.4195 and at 1.3340 Swiss francs after 1.3350.

The British pound fell slightly to \$1.5390 from \$1.5395.

London Coffee Prices Back Down From 8-Year Highs

LONDON - Coffee prices, recently

propelled to eight-year highs by two severe frosts in Brazil, slumped Tuesday as speculators gambled on warmer weather and took their profits.

Traders, however, said the underlying market tone would stay firm because manufacturers were waiting to buy up coffee as prices drifted lower.

On the London futures market Tuesday, coffee for November delivery was down \$194, to \$3,195 a ton, after dropping \$160

on Monday. It followed sharp overnight losses in New York.

Coffee is now 22 percent below a recent high of \$4,085 reached in early July.

"The market is very edgy at the mo-ment," said one trader, adding that the manufacturers were still staying away as speculators and investment funds liquidated positions.

We're not completely out of the woods yet where the frosts are concerned. You have to remember that it is still January in the Southern Hemisphere and the weather

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Another trader said the worry in Brazil now was not so much frosts as dry weather, which could compound the damage al-ready done. "They need rain in the next couple of weeks or else the crop could suffer even more," he said.

A more immediate indicator will be the

U.S. Department of Agriculture's report on frost damage due to be published Friday. Traders said they expected this first independent report to give a more conservative assessment of the damage.

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KPMG Pays to Settle S&L Claims

WASHINGTON - KPMG Peat Marwick paid the government \$186.5 million Tuesday to settle claims that its audits of several savings and loan clients had contributed to their failure.

the accounting firm said. The settlement is the latest of several obtained recently by the government from the big accounting firms in the wake of the savings and loan debacle. In March, Deloitte & Touche paid \$312 million to satisfy the continue of the same of the million to settle similar charges. Arthur Andersen paid \$79 million in August 1993, while Ernst & Young paid \$400 million in 1992."

Regional Bells Sue to Block AT&T

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Bell Arlantic Corp. and Nynex Corp. filed suit in a bid to block AT&T Corp.'s proposed \$12.6. billion acquisition of McCaw Cellular Communications Inc. The two regional Bell operating companies alleged in their filing Monday that the merger would "inflict severe damage" on cellular competitors and have a "particularly severe damage only cellular competitors and have a "particularly severe anticompetitive effect" on Nynex and Bell Atlantic. The proposed merger would combine McCaw, the largest U.S. cellular operator, with AT&T, the largest U.S. long-distance provider and the largest U.S. largest maker of cellular network equipment U.S. largest maker of cellular network equipment.

Storage Tech Plans an Acquisition

LOUISVILLE, Colorado (Bloomberg) — Storage Technology Corp. will acquire Network Systems Corp., which makes high-performance computer networking products, for \$307 million in

stock, the companies said Tuesday.

Each Network Systems share will be exchanged for 0.2618 of a Storage Tek share. Based on current market prices, Storage Tek would be paying about \$10.20 a share for Network Systems. The transaction, to be carried out as a tax-free merger, would give Storage Tek access to a technology called enterprise switching. that consolidates voice, data, image and video traffic.

Terra Will Buy Fertilizer Company

SIOUX CITY, Iowa (Combined Dispatches) - Terra Industries Inc. said Tuesday it would acquire Agricultural Minerals & Chemicals Inc., a producer of nitrogen fertilizers, for about \$400. Terra's majority stockholder, Minorco SA, has given Terra an

option to sell it about 13.3 million shares at \$7.50 a share to finance part of the purchase. This would increase Minorco's ownership stake 60.5 percent of Terra's common stock.

Minorco SA, a company controlled by South African interests and based in Luxembourg, said the acquisition would make Terra one of the largest producers of nitrogen fertilizer in North America and a leading methanol supplier. (Bloomberg, AFX)

Intel to Work With Lotus on Video

NEW YORK (Knight-Ridder) - Louis Development Corp and Intel Corp. said Tuesday they would jointly market and develop data and video conferencing products using Lotus Notes.

and Intel's ProShare technology.

Lotus and Intel will develop a range of products, including a Lotus Notes data conferencing product that will enable users to work simultaneously on the same software application, the com-

Ciba Vision Buys New Product Line

ATLANTA (Reuters) — Ciba-Geigy AG's Ciba Vision unitsaid Tuesday it would buy the ophthalmic pharmaceutical product line of Johnson & Johnson's Iolab Corp. for about \$300

Ciba said Iolab's ophthalmic surgery business was not part of

PaineWebber to Replace Executive

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — PaineWebber Group Inc. said. Tuesday it would replace Joyce N. Fensterstock as the head of its subsidiary, Mitchell Hutchins Asset Management Inc. The firm controls customer assets of about \$37 billion.

The move comes after PaineWebber's \$268 million bailout of its premier government bond fund because of trading losses.

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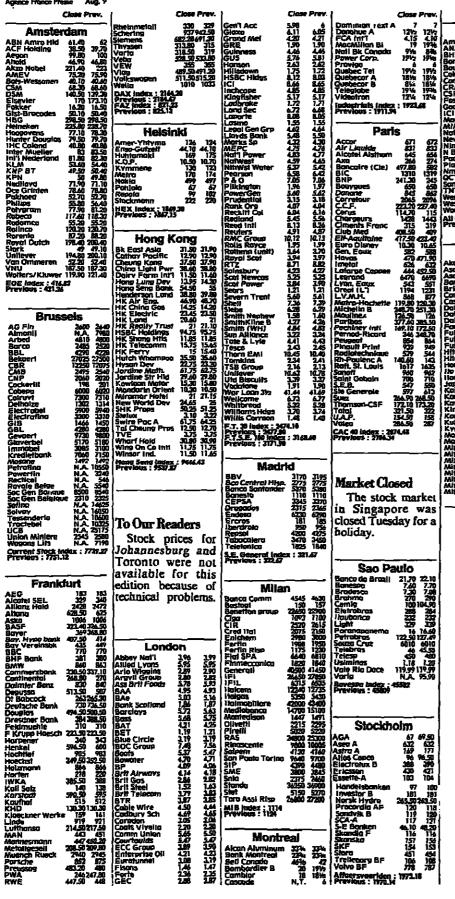
Chase Manhattan Corp. said it had launched its \$348 million-offer for American Residential Holding Corp. (Bloomberg) Synetic Inc. said it agreed to sell its institutional pharmacy. business to Pharmacy Corp. of America, a unit of Beverly Enterprises Inc., for about \$107.3 million in cash.

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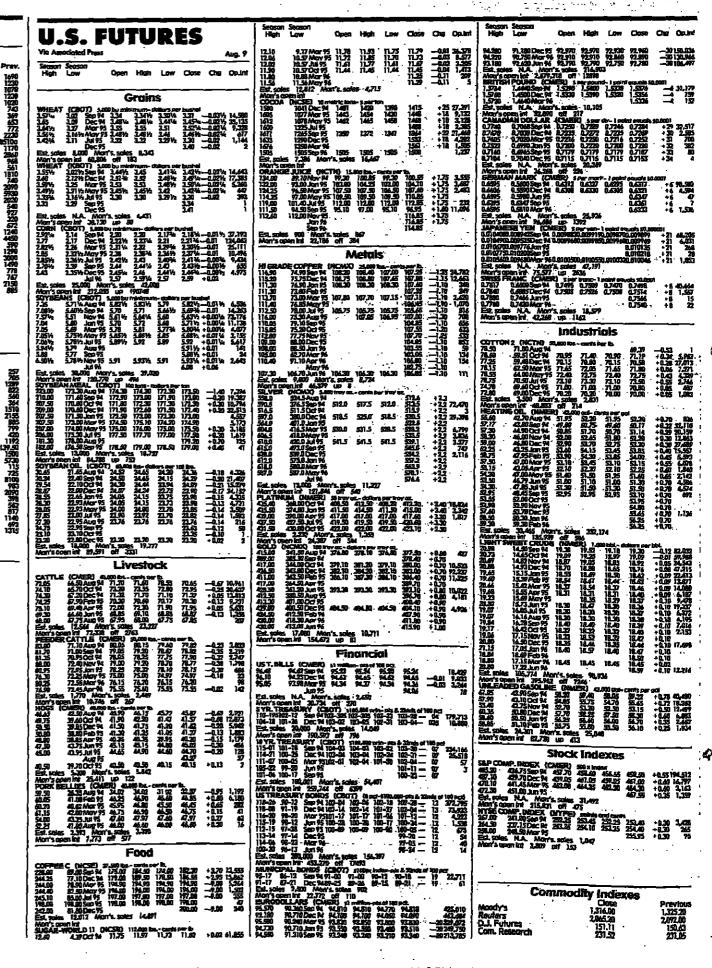
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Commercial Union To Buy Victoire

Compiled by Our Staff Front Dispatches LONDON - Britain's leading insurer, Commercial Union from £66 million in the first six PLC, said Tuesday it had agreed to buy its French counterpart, Groupe Victoire, for 12.5 billion French francs (\$2 billion) from Compagnie de

The deal will give Commercial Union a 5 percent share of the French life-insurance market and a 3 percent foothold in the general-insurance market.

Commercial Union said it planned to raise about £500 million (\$770 million) through the sale of new stock, to raise £820 million from new bank loans and to supply the rest from its cash reserves.

CU said it would raise cash for the purchase through a 1for-8 rights issue at 475 pence a share, to bring in £322 million In 1993, Victoire had consoli-

dated net profit of 3.5 billion francs, but 2.5 billion francs of that came from sales of assets. Compagnie de Suez will use the cash it receives from the sale of Groupe Victoire to invest in financial services, Gerard Worms, the chairman cult market conditions," the

Separately, Commercial son Robertson, said.

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Union said its first-half profit nearly tripled, to £181 million months of 1993. Total income from premiums was £3.08 billion, compared with £3.04 bil-

The profit was driven by a drop in underwriting losses, improved conditions in general insurance in several key markets and an increase in premiums.

■ General Accident Profit

The British insurer General Accident PLC posted a sharp rise in first-half profit Tuesday and delivered an upbeat outlook on business in the United States and Europe, Reuters reported from London.

General Accident posted pre-tax profit of £203.3 million (\$313 million), compared with £124.7 million a year earlier. Premium income rose to £2.58 billion from £2.52 billion.

"We are encouraged that positive signs of improvement are now beginning to show through in both the United States and Europe despite difficompany's chief executive, Nel-

Major Esab Holders Reject Charter's Bid

STOCKHOLM — The British industrial group Charter PLC's attempt to take over Esab AG of Sweden met resistance Tuesday when five Swedish shareholders controlling almost 20 percent of Esab's votes rejected the offer.

Opposition that began with Esab's trade unions spread to the company's shareholders just three days before the 3.1 billion kronor (\$400 million) bid for the world's largest welding-equipment maker expires.

The British firm, already assured of 52.7 percent of Esab, said it would not increase its bid and would consider its options further when it had a clear count of acceptances on Friday. Charter needs

90 percent of the votes to take over Esab.

"It just means that when we see exactly where we do stand, which will only happen on Friday, we will have to consider our options.

One is to walk away, and another is to accept whatever level of acceptances we get," a Charter spokesman said. He said that walking away from the deal might be an extreme move.

Led by the firm's biggest Swedish institutional shareholder, the state-run Fourth Pension Fund, two insurers, Skandia Insurance Co. and Wasa Insurance, the investment arm of bank Forenings-

banken and a state holding fund all rejected the bid.

They say the cash bid of 345 kronor a share underestimates strong current and future earnings potential and likely share rises. Swedish analysts said the most likely option would be for Charter to raise its bid, with estimates for a sweetened bid ranging between 350 kronor and 450 kronor.

Germany's Old-Time Economy

By Rick Atkinson

BERLIN - For more than a century, Germany has embodied the economic adage that if you build a better mousetrap the world will beat a path to your

Then what happens when the world economy changes? It has become far from certain that German mousetraps of the future will attract the export orders on which the country's economy is based.

Germany is reluctant to forsake the industries that have produced the world's third-largest economy, and yet it is coming to believe that sweeping change may be necessary.

"The basic problem is that it's an economy that is brilliantly geared to make the products of the late 19th and early 20th century: chemicals, machine tools, steel," said W. Richard Smyser, author of "The German Economy."

But Chancellor Helmut Kohl has warned his fellow Germans that they are badly behind the competition in such

leading-edge technologies as computers, office technology and lasers.

Konrad Scitz, the German ambassador to Italy, adds genetic technology, solar energy and aeronautics to Mr. Kohl's list; while warning that Germany is failing to make the jump from me-

try to biotechnology. Last year, Germany earned 604 billion Deutsche marks (\$382 billion) from products sold abroad. One job in three is directly tied to exports. Yet Germany's share of world exports in recent years has declined more than that of any other big

chanics to electronics and from chemis-

industrial nation. Germany has the highest labor costs and shortest working hours in the world. Emerging economies in Eastern Europe and Asia now churn out quality products at a fraction of the cost.

Equally alarming is the suspicion that Germany has slipped behind in many of the technologies that will count most in the future. As the world telecommunications market tripled in value to \$38 billion between 1980 and 1990, the German share of that market plunged from 12.5

percent to 7 percent. In biotechnology. Germany is hardly a player. There are several reasons:

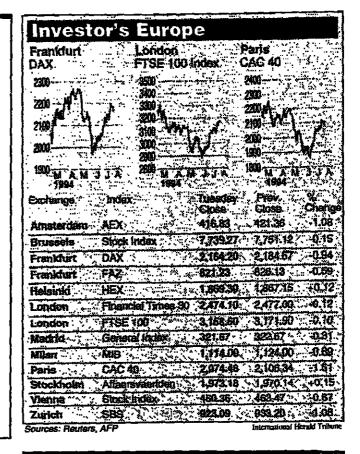
 Links between universities and hightech entrepreneurs are underdeveloped.

 Research and development spending is relatively paltry. • There is a lack of political will to

climinate huge subsidies for inefficient industries. Karl-Heinz Paque, senior economist at the World Economy Institute in Kiel, said the \$8.4 billion spent to subsidize coal mining in the last four years amounts to roughly \$44,000 per miner annually, "You could send them home, make them civil servants doing nothing and it would still be cheaper for the whole economy."

 Venture capitalism and entrepreneurship are rare.

The German economy is therefore dominated by bank thinking." Mr. Smyser said. "And banks are not venturesome in Germany. They're not like these crazy Americans who will invest millions in start-up ventures despite knowing that four in five will go bust.



Analysts Pan PolyGram's Profit Rise

AMSTERDAM - Poly-Gram NV said Tuesday its net profit rose 14.7 percent, to 234 costs under control yet." million guilders (\$131.8 million), but analysts widely considered the results lackluster, especially as it was boosted by a gain of \$100 million for its movie hit "Four Weddings and a Funeral."

The Dutch music and film roducer, 75 percent owned by Philips Electronics NV, said the successes of its U.S. "grunge" band Soundgarden, its female rap group Salt-n-Pepa and rock star Bryan Adams had helped results as well.

"It's amazing to see that their film income barely rose," said

CLN Oyens & Van Eeghen. "It looks like they don't have their

Operating income in the first PolyGram's entertainment Dutch market as a whole, where

Andre Moons, analyst with products were sold at lower stocks posted their biggest de-

PolyGram shares closed 4.1 percent lower, at 77.1 guilders, after rising 7.1 percent last week half rose only 6.6 percent, to in anticipation of the results. 340 million guilders, as more of The result weighed on the

Fust Trading Is Queried

ZURICH - The Zurich prosecutor's office said Tuesday it had begun a preliminary investigation into whether insider trading took place before Grands Magazins Jelmoli SA's announcement Friday of a takeover offer for the Swiss home appliances retailer Dipl, Ing. Fust AG.

An official at the prosecutor's office was unable to give further details but confirmed an investigation was under way.

 Mo & Domsjoe AB of Sweden said pulp prices could rise to \$700 a tonne this autumn from \$630 and could reach \$840 in 1995.

cline in more than a month. The rise in operating profit of 6.6 percent clearly means an erosion of margins," said Edwin van Oosten, an analyst at Union Bank of Switzerland in

London. "That's what is disappointing the market." PolyGram last year announced expansion plans for its film business and said it investment of about \$200 mil-

planned to have a continuous lion in new films. Amanda Whitwell, a spokeswoman for the company in London, said its investment in films totaled about \$160 million at the end of June, up from \$120 million six

• Internationale Nederlanden Group NV said it wanted to raise its share of the voting rights in Banque Bruxelles Lambert SA to 20 percent from 17.75 percent. The Russian central bank chairman, Victor Geraschenko, said the ruble was too strong against the dollar because of the bank's

policy of smoothing out exchange-rate fluctuations, a report said. • Britain's visible trade with European Union and non-EU countries was £1.03 billion (\$1.6 billion) in deficit in May, compared with a revised £770 million deficit in April, the Central Statistical • The Dutch trade surplus widened to 1.3 billion guilders (\$732

Very briefly:

million) in April from 1.2 billion a year earlier, the Central Bureau for Statistics said.

• The European Court of Justice has ruled that a 1992 agreement

between the U.S authorities and the European Commission on

anti-trust cooperation does not have the proper legal basis.

• German cosmetics retailer Douglas Holding AG said rising rents and wage costs caused first-half operating profit to fall 20.4 percent to 34.8 million Deutsche marks (\$22 million). Sales in the first half rose 3.5 percent to 1.53 billion DM. AFX, Bloombere

SMOKES: Competing Sales Approaches for Unconventional Products

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ed to the absence of chemical components," publicity material claims.

Last year Natural American Spirit's sales were near those of conventionally grown Virginia Lung Association. "Thousands Enlightened Tobacco, at \$10 tobacco selected by a leaf deal-million — following, according er. Added to their Pow-Wow and are irritating to the respirato Mr. Sommers, a sales in- blend are herbs that include tory system, including carbon crease of 60 percent to 85 per- sage, red willow, bearberry and monoxide, are naturally in tocent a year for the last six years. yerba buena.

Initially the company grew the tobacco on Indian lands in healthy as a granola bar, it is New Mexico, but that put it in not, according to Dr. Alfred violation of tobacco quotas.

Since then, they have bought

Although this may sound as Munzer, a lung specialist and past president of the American bacco," he said.

A pack of Natural American Spirit filter cigarettes at No-where Natural Foods in Los Angeles costs \$2.59.

Santa Fe Natural Tobacco began selling its products in 1987, but not until the publicity material focused on the additive-free aspect did sales pick

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Group Business. The Generali Group has further strengthened its positions in the markets where it operates by pursuing three strategies. These are the reorganisation of companies operating in countries where the Group has long-standing traditions; beginning operations in markets which offer interesting prospects; the signing of wide-reaching agreements with important international groups supported by the acquisition of sig-

nificant minority share holdings.
In this context, important moves have been carried out: agreements with the Madrid-based Banco Central Hispano and with the FIAT Group; acquisition of a 3% stake in Banca Commerciale Italiana and concentration in the subsidiary Alleanza Assicarazioni of the shares

agricultural companies.

held in Banco Ambrosiano Veneto. As far as the initiatives aiming at improving structures in various countries are concerned, recent initiatives include the reorganization of the Group in Germany, Belgium and Argentina, and the establishment of new companies in Portugal, Guernsey, Rumania and a Branch Office in the Czech Republic. Operations have also been boosted in Latin America, where the Group acquired a controlling stake in an insurance company in Ecuador, strengthened its presence in Peru by establishing a new subsidiary that ranks second in the Peruvian insurance market, acquired an important insurance company in Colombia, and established a company that will manage the activity in the Argentinian pension funds sector.

-00550 4000 FOLD	1993	1992	■ The profit for 1993 amounted	INVESTMENTS
ASSETS (000 ECU)*			to ECU 359.5 m., compared to	(sallions of ECU) (41, 161)
Real estate and agricultural companies	5,473,497		ECU 354 m. in the previous year.	33,911
Fixed-interest securities	25,299,087		Some modifications carried out	25,756
Shares and equity participations	5,533,056		in the accounting criteria af-	
Loans :	2,342,652		fected the result for ECU 79.3 m.	
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Accounts receivable and other assets	4,828,910	4,347,375	share of the profit amounted to	(millional et Cours
Total	45,990,614	38,258,842	ECU 319.7 m. compared to ECU 301.3 m. in 1992.	29,560
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LIABILITIES (000 ECU)*			amounted to BCU 13,083.2 m.	
-	•	-	(+10.9%): 76.9% from EU member	1997 1997 1992
Provisions for insurance liabilities	35,812,221	29,560,643	countries (Italy 30%); 16.1% from	PREMIUMS
Reinsurance deposits	428,536	374,896	other European countries, and	I prefilence of SCUI)
Willefligite achora	3,814,829	2,533,131	7% from non-European countries. Premiums collected in Life busi-	11,749
Other liabilities	1,245,537		ness increased 9% to ECU	8.385
Minority shareholders' interest		4,326,083		
Shareholders' surplus	319,707		5,232.5 m., and 12.3% to ECU	<u> </u>
Profit for the year			7,800.7 m. in Non-Life business.	- 1899)))([]]
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			Cost ratio at 27.3% followed last ye	ar's trend
			■ Investments rose to ECU 41.161	.7 m. (+ 21.4%), against which pro
•		~ . · ·	sions for insurance habilities amor	mied to ECU 35,812.2 m.
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Parent Company Business. The Company continued its policy aiming at improving underwriting results by giving priority to the quality of the insurance portfolio and by limiting costs. Such a policy proved to be particularly incisive in the

Italian market, where the Company writes 55% of the total volume of business and 70% of direct business. The implementation of careful risk-selection policies and portfolio reforms in these past three years have been pursued further and have brought about a sensible reduction of loss ratio in the Non-Life sector. This, and a 1% decrease in the cost ratio, have contributed to the significant improvement in the writing result in Italy, which, after many years,

■ Net profit amounted to BCU 220.3 m. compared to ECU 204.2 m. in

1992. Modifications carried out in the accounting criteria affected the

■ Premiums amounted to ECU 5,122.7 m. (+ 11%); ECU 2,017.6 m. were

in Life insurance and BCU 3,105.2 m. in Non-Life.

result by ECU 57.6 m.

is almost in the black. On the other hand, direct business results abroad as well as reinsurance were still negative. Results from activities carried out in the financial sector, though, were satisfactory with a sharp growth in current income from investments as well as in the profits realized from trading operations in major international stock exchanges, even though the contribution of extraordinary operations resulted in a lower amount.

This year's profit exceeded the one registered in 1992 by over ECU 16 m. despite the fact that changes in the accounting criteria affected the result by ECU 57.6 m. and tax burden increased by

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Premiums written Premiums ceded Net premiums	5,122,690 - 641,823 4,480,867	- 541,544	Provisions for insurance liabilities increased by ECU 1,935.3 m.	13,502
Net investment income Technical interest allocated to Life funds Insurance underwriting results Sundry income and expenditure	1,300,332 784,939 357,571 66,921	- 659,201 - 299,443	■ Underwriting and administra- tive costs totalled BCU 1,117.4 m. The incidence of costs on pre- miums fell in direct Italian busi- ness from 24% in 1992 to 23%.	INSURANCE FUNDS 13,728
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Total other Items	265,787	148,763	Overall shareholders' equity amounted to ECU 3,441.4 m.	3,784
Taxes on profits	- 136,422	- 78,329	The surplus over the minimum solvency margin requirement is	
Profit for the year	220,266	204,242	of BCU 1,217.2 m. for the Life sector and of BCU 1,180.2 m. for	1937
* All figures have been convenied at the rate of exc	trange of £1 = EC	ป 1.322	Non-Life. The dividend is 360 lire per sha	re,
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increase from Lire 1,457.500 billion to Lire 1,603.250 billion on th of one new share for every ten previously held. The new shares qualify for dividend from 1.1.1994.

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GATT Grace Period Possible for Beijing

HONG KONG - China could be given a grace period before having to meet some allow it to re-enter under the conditions of membership in the General Agreement on Tarcountries are allowed. ills and Trade, a senior U.S. official said Tuesday.

"We would recognize that in the GATT, they would have the right in certain areas to a transition period before they're fulfilling their obligations," said Winston Lord, the U.S. assistant secretary of state for East Asian and Pacific affairs.

Mr. Lord said during a visit to Hong Kong that the United States "staunchly" supported China's admission to GATT.

Mr. Lord said China was "somewhere in between" being a developing country and an

to GATT. China argued that it was a developing country and that the United States should

China was a founding member of GATT but withdrew af-ter the Communist takeover in 1949. It applied for readmission

"China is already an economic powerhouse in many ways," Mr. Lord said, "so we have to strike a balance here."

■ China Asks Taiwan Access China wants Taiwan to lift restrictions on Chinese goods entering Taiwan, a Foreign Trade Ministry official said, according to the Xinhua news

advanced country.

The agency said China's trade deficit with Taiwan reached \$5.26 billion last year.

Vietnam to Curb Dollar Use **Hidden Currency Must Go to Banks**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HANOI — Vietnam will restrict the use of the U.S. dollar and require companies to deposit foreign currency in bank accounts as a way of drawing money into its formai financial system, the official Vietnam News Agency said Tuesday.

The aim of the measure, decided by Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet, is to harness an estimated \$600 million now circulating and to increase use of the Vietnamese dong.

"Now people are keeping money under the mattress we need to get it into the banks," he said. The economist, a top gov-

ernment planner, said he did not think the measure would affect the exchange rate. About 70 percent of the

hard-currency turnover in others authorized by the cen-Vietnam came from state rency, the report said. companies, he said.

The dollar has risen over the past year from about 10,500 dong to the current rate of about 10,950. John Brinsden, country

manager for Standard Chartered Bank, said that if the measures meant people would have to sell dollars to buy dong, they might stabilize the dong's slide. Although the government does not want to "disrupt or

destabilize the market," Mr. Brinsden said, "they are sending a signal that they are going to progressively enforce this." Businesses that now charge

for their services in dollars will be required to accept dong, with only duty-free shops and at the airports and

trai bank taking foreign cur-

Vietnamese organizations involved in civil aviation, maritime trade, insurance, posts and telecommunications, and foreign-invested enterprises would be allowed to open bank accounts abroad.

Western warned that Vietnam could not wean people off the dollar through legislation, but needed instead to build faith in its financial and banking system to draw in more money.

"It's a good idea for Vietnam to regain some control over the currency, but its going to take two to three years to work this through," one

(Reuters, AFP)

Orders Rise For Japan's **Machines**

TOKYO - Japanese companies showed a strong growth in machinery orders in June, indicating companies are spending more to boost production, but concerns about the overail economy remain.

Private-sector machinery orders, excluding those from shipyards and power firms, rose a seasonally adjusted 12.5 per-cent, to 950.6 billion yen (\$9.4 billion) in June from May.

Orders jumped 9.5 percent from June 1993, marking the first year-on-year rise since lan-uary. Machinery orders had been tumbling since mid-1991.

"Machinery orders have stopped declining, but we can-not say that worries about the overall economy are all gone," an agency official said. (Reuters, Bloomberg)

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U.S.'s China Wheat Sales Draw Fire

HONG KONG — The United States is hoping China will be eager to buy subsidized U.S. wheat this year, but other Western wheat-growing nations are complaining about what they see in the world's biggest wheat importer, China takes about 15 percent of world trade, usually as unfair U.S. trading practices.

China pays \$86 a metric ton for American wheat, a \$44 discount from the general market made available under the U.S. government's Export Enhancement Program.

One analyst estimated that China would need to import as much as 10 million metric tons of

Canada and Australia, China's major wheat sales rise accordingly.

suppliers, decline to reveal their prices, but they

giving about 60 percent of its business to Canada and 10 percent to Australia.

Australia has already sold more than a million price. This year, 3 million metric tons have been metric tons of wheat to China this year, according to Nigel Officer, the Australian Wheat Board's director for North Asia. Sales in 1993 totaled 550,000 tons.

The Australians have been watching China's stocks run low and had been hoping to see their

Du Pont Plans Rise In Outlays in China

BEIJING - Edgar Woolard, chairman of Du Pont Co., said Tuesday the firm planned to increase investment in China by a factor of live to 10 times "over

the next few years." He added that the company was carrying on nego-tiations about 28 projects.

Taiwan Eases Bank Curbs

TAIPEI - Taiwan on Tuesday announced the relaxation of limits on foreign bank branches and lifted restrictions on holding of Taiwan dollar-denominated deposits.

Officials earlier said the move was designed to ease Taiwan's entry to the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. The Foreign Ministry lifted rules preventing foreign banks from opening more than three branches a year. It also ended requirements that foreign banks have trade relations with domestic banks

for more than 10 years before they set up a branch. The new rules require foreign banks setting up domestic branches to be among the world's top 500 in terms of assets or capital or to have a combined trading record with domestic banks of more than \$1 billion in the past three years.

Very briefly:

Shanghai's domestic stock market plunged 13.1 percent as investors cashed in profits after a weeklong surge.

• Italian-Thai Development PLC, Thailand's largest engineering company, ended its first day on the stock exchange at a 31 percent premium to its initial sale price.

Toshiba Corp. began recycling plastic waste into fuel oil at a pilot plant south of Tokyo, forecasting that commercial operations would be launched toward the end of the year.

Nestlé SA said it had signed a joint-venture agreement to build an ice cream and yogurt factory in Tianjin, China. A Nestlé unit is expected to invest about \$65 million in the factory.

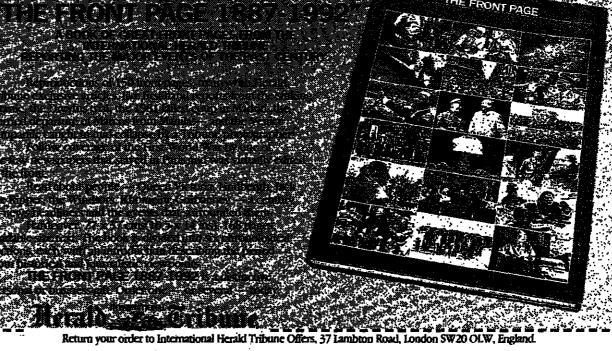
• Hitachi Ltd. said it would move nearly all its production of general-purpose motors to a Thai subsidiary to cut costs.

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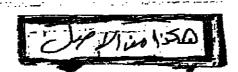
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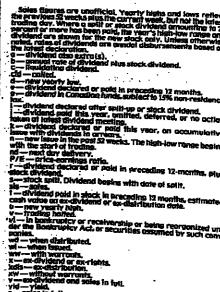
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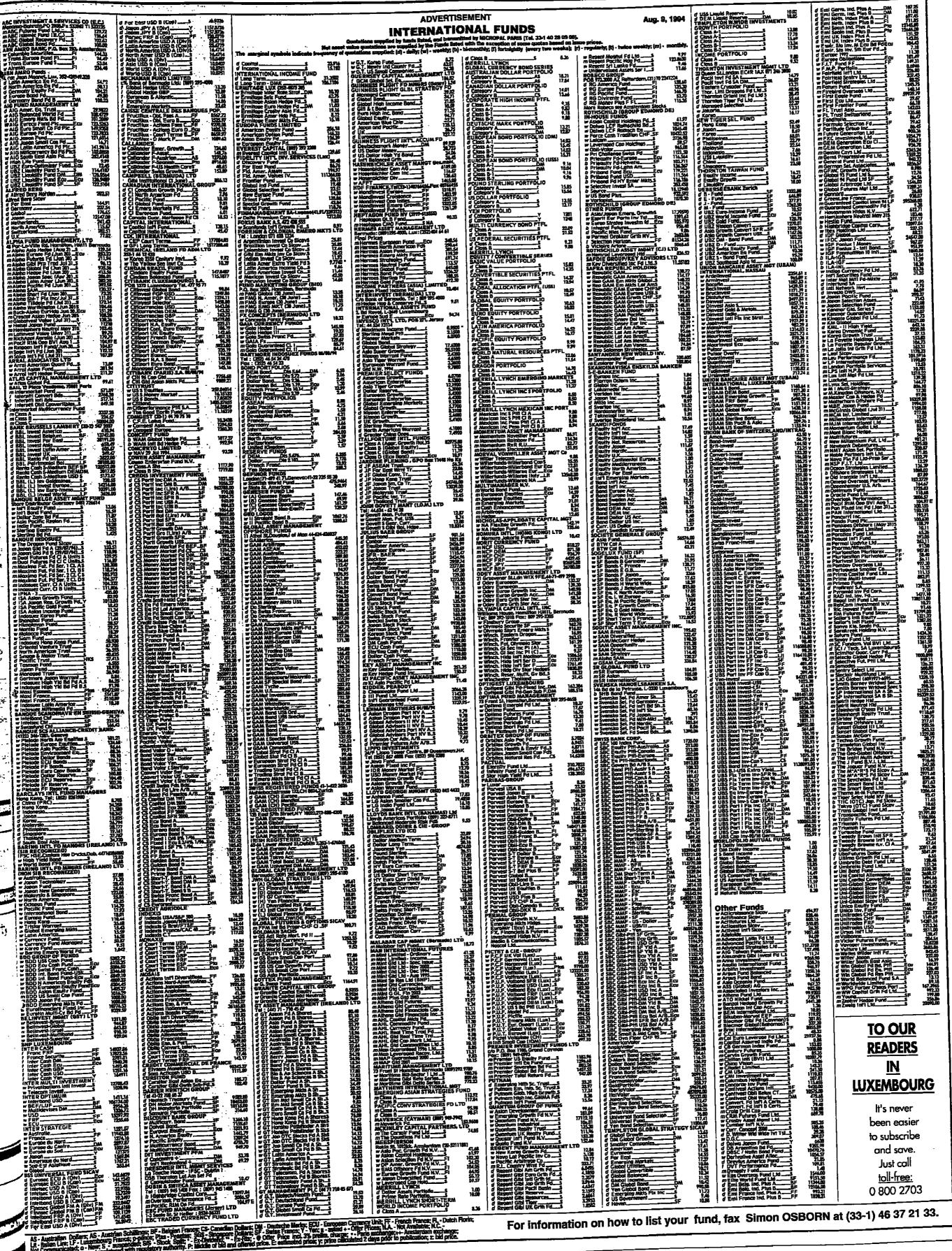
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SPORTS

An Evening's Stroll Brings Much of Finland to Its Feet

By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribune

HELSINKI - Sari Essayah went out for a 40-minute walk on this spectacular Tuesday evening of the European Championships, and all of Finland emed to come out to meet her. Perhaps 30,000 had bought their way into the Olympic Stadium, and almost as many more were waiting outside along the streets; and still hundreds of thousands more were at home around their televisions.

It was a summer's evening to match all of those Scandinavian mornings last February, when the Norwegians came out of the forests to cheer their Olympic cross-country skiers. This was the mirror of that, but for the weather and implements.

Essayah is Finland's 27-yearold world champion in the 10kilometer walk - an event several gears below the preceding generational successes of Finns Paavo Nurmi and Lasse Viren. whose images are posed in bronze and stone outside the

The heiress walked past them, striding certain and disciplined, one foot always on the ground per regulations, and amid the cheering and the noise the statues were ignored. The clouds in the extended northern dusk were a landscape as sure as the Norwegian mountains.

Inside the stadium the people had been watching on the giant TV screen as Essayah moved

during its second stage Tuesday

after a car strayed on to the

course and caused an accident

The car's driver allegedly dis-

DENNIS THE MENACE

obeyed instructions to stop

from two police motorcyclists.

when it drove into the race.

stadium entrance they stood as tion. if one to greet her.

She came to a stop in a championship-record 42 minutes. 37 seconds, and those behind — Anna-Rita Sidoti of Finland (42:43) and Yelena Nikolayeva of Russia (42:43) - fell into her embrace. They seemed happy just to have walked with her.

Then Essayah moved toward the stands, waving for a flag to hold and hundreds of them came to a waving salute: Take your pick. She marched around the track once more with the flag across her thin bare shoulder, celebrating an event which never would have meant so much had she not made it hers.

The heptathlon fell less heroically to the world silver-medalist, Sabine Braun of Germany. She had gone to bed Monday trailing Svetlana Moskalets of Russia by three points after uncharacteristically running almost a second behind Moskalets in the 200 meters.

A former long-jumper with a 29-year-old Braun figured to reemerge in that event Tuesday morning — but she could manage no better than 6.32 meters, meters remaining, she lay 42 managed 2.33. points behind Moskalets, who had jumped 6.44 meters.

lead, and when the camera during the afternoon break. showed her approaching the "This just isn't my competi-

> Moskalets, however, failed to keep her first throw of the javelin in play. Watching her second attempt fall woefully short, she held her right elbow and came close to tears. The elbow was wrapped in tape for her third throw, but it did not help. Her best was only 37.94 meters, far behind Braun's sub-par 48.54. Moskalets walked from the pit sobbing, having sunk to fifth place, where she would finish with 6,308 points.

Entering the 800 meters, the last event. Braun had only to hold a 52-point lead over the lanky second-place Hungarian, Rita Inancsi, who initially sprinted 20 meters ahead of Braun but was overtaken by the pack. Braun's time of 2:20.66 — 'I gave all," she said — assured her of a threadbare victory with 6,419 points, with Inancsi second in 6,404 and Urszula Wlodarczyk of Poland third in

Three other titles were decidpersonal best of 6.70 meters, the ed Tuesday. Steinar Hoen of Norway won the high jump in 2.35 meters, a championship record which could not be matched by co-silver-medalists no-jumping her third attempt. Artur Partyka of Poland and With only the javelin and 800 Steve Smith of Britain, who

The 1,500 meters was won by the Olympic champion Fermin "We talked about it all last Cacho of Spain in a championnight and could not work out ship-record 3:35.27, and he what was wrong," Braun said shared his victory lap with com-



Sabine Braun of Germany, left, racing Urszula Włodarczyk of Poland in the 800 on her way to winning heptathlon.

The 100-meter hurdles went Yordanka Donkova of Bulgaria to Svetla Dimitrova of Bulgaria third in the same time of 12.93.

patriot Isaac Viciosa, the silvermedalist in 3:36.01. in 12.72 seconds, with Yuliya Graudyn of Russia second and ATP Loser in Germany

The Associated Press MUNICH - In another is rapidly losing viewers. blow to the troubled game of tennis, the ATP Tour is losing for last year's ATP Tour World one of its main television spon-Championships, a tournament one of its main television spon-

SAT-1, a private German cable station, will not extend its contract with the ATP Tour when it expires next year, the station's head of sports. Reinhold Beckmann, said Tuesday. A rapid fall in ratings is forc-

ing SAT-1 to drop tennis from its program, Beckmann said. "I think the European market is finished," he said. "The

times when TV stations were the milk cows are definitely SAT-1 will continue to

broadcast only two tournaments from Germany, the ATP.
Tour World Championship in
Frankfurt and the Grand Slam
Cup in Munich.

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Riding on the successes of Boris Becker and Steffi Graf, tennis became very popular in Germany in the 1980s. Germany in the 1980s. Germany in the 1980s. Germany in the 1980s. hosts more than a dozen tournaments every year, in ad-dition to the ATP Tour's season-ending World Championship, formerly known as the

About 70 percent of ATP. Tour's television income came from Germany, Beckmann

Asia is next to none.

down to dinner, and exchanged clude Toni Kukoc, Dino Radja ideas. What the Chinese received were some training tips.

What the Americans got was players with National Basketsome spicy food for thought.
"Since the Dream Team ball Association experience. Kukoc picked the smaller

played at the Olympics in Bar-celona, basketball in our country has become very popular," the Chinese coach, Xingqun Jiang, told Don Nelson and assistants through an interpreter. "In China right now, there are more people who play basketball than the entire population a while in the first half, as the

in all of Europe."

The Americans thought about that, and shook their heads. "Imagine the potential," said. Donn Nelson, son of the U.S. team's coach.

TORONTO - One night

during the first round of the world basketball champion-

With the most populous nafrom the Chinese-have come dogged him in the second.
here to announce their intenWeidong is the prize of the tion of getting into the business of basketball. Though they've A day after their greatest in- national team since 1992.

only because the competition in really excited about it."

Chinese defenders apart with 15 assists and the Croats made and 7 of 12 3-pointers as they won their fourth straight en

Crosts played a loose man-toman defense that China's best player, Hu Weidong, shot holes in. He scored 22 of his game-high 31 points (27 coming from behind the 3-point line) in the first half, but slowed down as tion in the world to choose Kukoc and Arijan Kimazec

young Chinese team, a 6-6, 190-pound (86-kilogram) swingman made tremendous strides in a from Jiangsu Province who has short while, it is not something a soft touch when he is left that's going to happen overnight. alone. At 23, he has been on the

ternational victory ever, the "He's one of the first young Chinese were crushed Monday players they've had come up "He's one of the first young night by Croatia, 105-73, in who has all the skills," said the

As a result, SAT-1 forced the

ATP to change the schedule of

this year's event by dropping

the evening match during prime

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matches in the afternoon.

For China, This Defeat Is a First Success By Harvey Araton their maiden adventure into the younger Nelson. "They see a New York Times Service second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round of their second round of a tournament kid like that come out of their second round China has often qualified for junior program, and they're

During the Barcelona Olymships, the coaching staffs of the Fortunately for Croatia, its pics, Nelson was an assistant United States and China sat mere 4.5 million citizens in coach for Lithuania, based on the coach for Lithuania based on the coach for Lith his long-term friendship with Sarunas Marciulionis, who he

helped recruit for the Golden State Warriors for his father. The Lithuanian dormitory was next door to the one housing the Chinese team. Nelson struck up 15 assists and the Croats made a casual friendship with Xing-75 percent of their 2-point shots our Jiang, and renewed it while he was scouting at the Goodwill

Games in SL Petersburg. At that competition, China route to a likely gold medal date
Sunday against Dream Team II. lost by 40 points to Brazil, a
The Chinese stayed close for team it opened this tournament by defeating. After losing by 51 to the United States. China shocked Spain, advancing to the second round on the strength of victories over traditionally good basketball countries. "We used the Goodwill

Games as a warm-up tourna-ment," Jiang said. While his team is young, with every player in his early to mid-20s, it is certainly not big, or

exceptionally quick. What China does have is a sweet, simple and patient offense played by what the senior Nelson said is "the best passing team in the tournament. From the U.S. coaches, the

Chinese staff wasn't looking for game strategy, or seeking to import 7-footers. They told the Americans that there are more than enough big people in their country, especially in the north.
"We asked the Americans

tion on television and the game about their training and about their junior players and their junior coaches," said Jiang. "We would like to send our junior players and coaches to the Unitfeaturing the top eight players in the world, Beckmann said. ed States. We can exchange."

In return; Donn Nelson said. the chances of a National Basketball Association game being played in China are very good. The relationship makes sense, and dollars and cents. The Chinese players get better. The The first match during this NBA market gets bigger. year's tournament Nov. 15-20

 In the other quarterfinal played Monday night. Greece beat Canada by 74-71. The Associated Press reported.

Playing before a crowd that was definitely on its side, Greece led by 72-65 with 1:34 to play, then Canada's Kory Hallas sank consecutive 3pointers to make it a one-point game with 52 seconds left. Canada forced a turnover,

but Rick Fox of the Boston Celtics lost the ball as he made a move toward the basket with about 13 seconds left. Panagiotis Fassoulas dunked with five seconds left for the final margin.

Fanis Christodoulo led Greece with 26 points and 10 rebounds, while Hallas topped Canada with 20 points. In the classification round,

Spain beat South Korea, 98-57; Argentina downed Egypt, 91-66; Brazil defeated Cuba, 82-76, and Germany beat Angola,

Russian Sprinter Latest to Depart tive following a Grand Prix meet in Stockholm, HELSINKI - Russian sprinter Natalia Voronova, having tested positive for ephedrine, was Salomon Wariso, Britain's 200-meter champiwithdrawn Tuesday from the European Champion, was withdrawn by his federation after he onships, officials from the sport's governing failed a similar test for ephedrine. body in European announced. Ephedrines are contained in many over-the-Voronova's was on a list of eight names given counter medications but are banned in Olympic by the European Athletics Association of athletes who failed drug tests. Voronova, Wariso and Okeke were also on the She was a member of the winning relay team at list for ephedrine and were given a suspension of last year's world championships and was to run here until she was withdrawn by her federation. three months. Five other athletes — Marian Florea of Romania, Pjoty Perzylo of Poland, Russian hammer throw Sergei Kirmasov was Vladimira Malatova of the Czech Republic, withdrawn Monday and faces a four-year ban Hedvika Korosak of Slovenia and Ellen Kovacs for using steroids. The 29-year-old Voronova had used a subof Romania — were also on the list. Kovacs was found to have used ephedrine and stance that contained ephedrine in a test carried was withdrawn before the championships. out after a June meet in Granada, Spain. The other four were found to have traces of Last week Aham Okeke, a Nigerian-born Norillegal substances with steroid bases and were wegian, was withdrawn from the championships after it was announced that he had tested posi- given four-year suspensions. Car Invades British Race, Cyclists Strike hit both of them and then 30 minutes late as the main BLACKPOOL, England forced the leaders of the 102- group slowed to allow the in-Every rider on the Tour of Brit- man field to swerve as the car jured riders to rejoin the field,

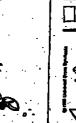
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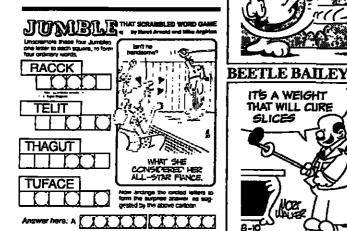








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SPORTS

Cauthen Canters Into Hall of Fame

By Joseph Durso New York Times Service

SARATOGA SPRINGS, New York — At 16, he rode his first winners in the big leagues of thoroughbred racing. At 17, he was the leading apprentice jockey in the United States. At 18, he won the Kentucky Derby aboard Affirmed and swept the Triple Crown, and he was the youngest to do that, too.

At 24, he became the leading jockey in England, the first American in 71 years to do that. By the time he was 27, he had won the Epsom Derby twice. He is the only jockey in history to win the Kentucky, Epsom, Irish, French and Italian Derbys. Now, at 34, Steve Cauthen is back home with his trophies and memories, and, still reaching for the stars ahead of his

He was inducted Monday along with 74-year-old Jimmy Croll, the trainer of star borses like Housebuster, Bet Twice and Holy Bull, and with storied horses of the past, notably the filly Ta Wee and the colt Arts and Letters.

time, he is the youngest person ever elected to the Racing Hall

But for the crowd gathered under the huge tent alongside the Hall of Fame, the spotlight of history fell mainly on the riding prodigy who took his first giant strides as a visiting jockey at the old track across Union Avenue.

He ended his riding career in England last year because he was losing the battle against weight. In this country, it would be impossible to ride regularly if you hit 115 pounds; in England, maybe 119.
"I'm 138 now," Cauthen acknowledged. "And I probably

'If I didn't have to keep my weight down, I'd probably be riding till I was 60.'

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won't ride again, at least not here in the States. Maybe in Europe or Hong Kong. If the right offer came, I might, But it hasn't. So, I doubt that I'll ride

"I miss riding. If I didn't have to keep my weight down to 118 or so, I'd probably be riding till I was 60. I'd be another Lester Piggott."

Telescoping his career on two continents, Cauthen added: "Things happened to me very quickly. You have to reset your goals. On the plane flying here, I kept thinking of my first race in Saratoga when I was a kid. To me, this was always the Big Apple. This is where I met Lenny Goodman, who became my agent. This is where I took the path to Affirmed."

Cauthen still has the look of an altar boy, but he is now an associate vice president of Turfway Park in Kentucky. Mostly, he is the star of television commercials about racing. He is also the father of a 15-month-old daughter and the owner of a 300-acre farm in Verona, Kentucky, the town next to his childhood home in Walton. That was where he started to ride horses before graduating to small tracks like River Downs

and soon to major tracks like Saratoga.

"The Triple Crown stays in your mind," he said, "because everything is at stake. We had these three great races against Alydar, starting with the Keatucky Derby, a couple of days after my 18th birthday."

But if he met success early in life, he also met adversity. He was injured in a spill at Saratoga, then tried his luck on the West Coast and lost 116 races in a row. He was also starting to gain weight.

"Business was getting a little slow," he remembered, "and I knew I could ride in England at higher weights. So, when I got an offer to ride in Europe, it wasn't a difficult decision."

The offer came from Robert Sangster. one of the giants of

British racing, and it took Canthen abroad for 14 years. He. won more honors and titles, and finally decided to come home "Actually," he said, "the slump in California led to a blessing in disguise. The European thing extended my career eight or 10 years. It was a great experience. It was the right step for me. Nobody forced me to go. The other jockeys weren't ganging up on me, the way some people thought. It was just the right thing to do."

He glanced around at the mountains flanking Saratoga, and said: "You never forget how beautiful it is here. When I came here from River Downs, I rode two horses."

It was only 18 years since he arrived in Saratoga as an

apprentice, and now he was back as part of racing history and the newest member of the Hall of Fame, in a dazzlingly short He paused and reached for some personal perspective, and said: "I was 16 years old. I weighed about 88 pounds."

A Case for Baseball's Owners: Hard to Latch Onto

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — I climbed into a taxicab in Manhattan one day recently and told the driver, "Yankee Stadium."

He half-turned to me and in a foreign accent said, "Is that in New Jersey?" "Not yet," I replied.

One day, though, the Yankees may, as George Steinbrenner has indicated, wind Vantage up in a coveted Point

spot in the New Jersey swamps. If so, the New York Yankees will join such historic 19th-century major league baseball teams as the Providence Grays, the Troy (New York) Haymakers, the Newark Peppers, the Worcester (Massachusetts) Ruby Legs, the Louisville Eclipse, the Keokuk Westerns, the Wilmington (Delaware) Quick Steps and the Altoona Mountain City.

Not to mention the 20th-century Brooklyn Dodgers, the New York Giants, the Boston and versions) and dozens of other teams. All weighed their market places in the balance and found

them wanting, and, like many businesses in similar situations in the American free-enterprise says this is fiction.

World Magazine, which tracks such goings-on, franchise-hopping to the designated hitter to artificial playing surfaces. system, either moved away or went out of

The shuttling of teams is a harsh reality, but it is reality, something the baseball owners of today would rather not admit.

The owners, on the verge of forcing the players into a strike, have demanded that the players accept a salary cap, which would negate many of the rights for which the players have fought successfully in recent years.

The owners contend they can't continue like this - saying at first that 19 of the 28 teams are in the red, then changing that on Mondayy to 12 to 14 money-losing clubs — but have been totally unconvincing to the players. This is unlike the National Basketball Association owners in 1984. who opened their books and proved to the satisfaction of the players' union that four franchises were about to fold, and the players thereby risked a loss of about 50 jobs.

Baseball owners, with frequent turnover, con-Milwaukee Braves, the Philadelphia and Kansas tinue to sell their franchises at ever higher prices, City Athletics, the Washington Senators (two and the sport continues to expand. While the owners say teams are losing money, especially the so-called small-market teams, Financial

The San Diego Padres, for one, made a profit of \$4.1 million in 1993, according to Financial World. And the Pittsburgh Pirates, who went on the sales block last week - and immediately found at least two serious business groups expressing interest — were reported to have made \$4 million last year.

NOWHERE IS IT decreed that a big league Milwaukee, which gets only ball club must exist in a particular city. its locally televised games. Instead, basic economics requires that one sets up shop at the busiest corner, a tradition baseball owners have followed religiously.

leagues. Of those 16, only 10 remain in the same no longer allows it to support a baseball team, city. The others moved on. Owners decided there then metropolitan areas on the rise like Orlando, was nothing inviolable about the national pastime. Charlotte, Norfolk and Phoenix are ready and And the majors have ballooned to 28 teams.

that they are caretakers of a national trust, insist fact, that it built a domed stadium, and waits, that it would be terrible to lose franchises in like a maiden with trousseau at the ready. At last smaller markets because of the history of those count, the Tampa Bay Baseball group had sold teams, and that it would damage the continuity 32,079 season ticket reservations.

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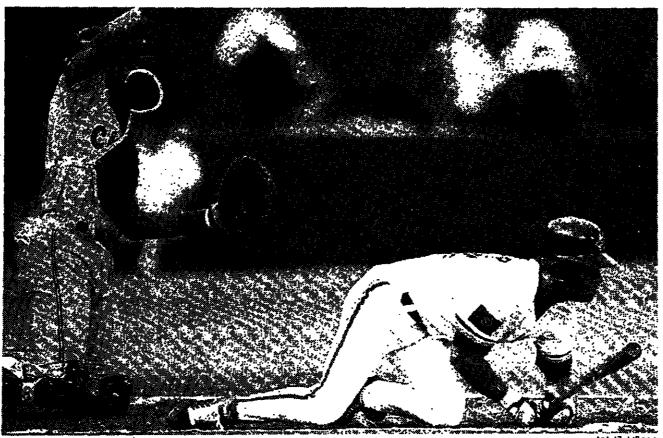
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If small markets are a grievous problem, then why don't the owners solve it among themselves with a greater degree of revenue-sharing — and not tie it to a players' salary cap? They could give visiting teams 40 to 50 percent of the gate instead of 20 percent, as in the American League, and about the same in the National. And George Steinbrenner, for example, could share his \$40 million-a-year local television deal with, say, Milwaukee, which gets only about \$5 million for

That's because the large-market owners are playing like profiteers, the game they're best at. Have always been best at. And if a shift in For years, only 16 teams played in the major population and jobs in Pittsburgh, for example. willing to try.

Owners, some of whom say with a straight face The Tampa-St. Petersburg area is so eager, in

owners themselves have often changed - from time. And apparently a thriving one, at that.



As brother Sandy returned the pitch, Toronto's Roberto Aloma picked himself up. Cleveland also won the game, 6-1.

After Latest Non-Meeting, an 'Air of Inevitability'

By Richard Justice Washington Post Service

NEW YORK - Major league baseball's labor negotiations remained stailed as both sides acted as if no meaningful discussions will take place in time to prevent the players from walking off the job after Thursday's games.

With the eighth work stoppage in 23 years closing in, representatives of the players and owners met for about 90 min-utes Monday to discuss a host of noneconomic issues, including matters such as grievance procedures and how to accrue service time in the pension plan. Nothing was settled, but then no one expected anything to be settled.

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(8); Dn. Jackson, Slocumb (8) and Lieb W-8. Jones. 12-7. L-On. Jackson, Sv-Franca (29). HR—Hew York, Lind

"Nobody is going to strike over any issue that was discussed today," said Richard Ravitch, chief negotiator for the own-

Indeed, the two sides remain so far apart on the central issue — a salary cap — that Friday's strike seems inevitable. There was to be a series of group sessions Tuesday afternoon, but barring a change of heart, the next full bargaining session won't oc-cur until Wednesday — less than 48 hours before the strike is to begin.

The head of the union, Donald Fehr. was even uncertain about a Wednesday meeting. Fehr described his side as "resigned" to a strike, while Ravitch said he

been.

"I assume there'll be a meeting if someone thinks there's something to talk about," Fehr said. "There's nothing scheduled. There's an air of inevitability about all of this, just as there was in 1981 when players struck for 50 days. "There's a feeling that we won't reach an agreement without a work stoppage. I hope that turns out to be wrong because there's still time. With each passing day, there's

Said Ravitch: "Don and I both recognize that there are real fundamental differ-

Expos Will Win It, The Braves Suggest

The Associated Press

It had the ring of a concession speech, and considering Deion Sanders then grounded the way the Montreal Expos have been playing it seemed appropriate.

"The Expos are having an awesome year, so now we're fighting to get the wild card." Fred McGriff said after hitting two home runs and driving in four runs as the Atlanta Braves were heating the Reds, 6-4, Monday night in Cincinnati.

The victory did nothing to enhance Atlanta's position in the NL East because the Expos won for the 18th time in 20 games to maintain a six-game lead over the Braves.

strike looming Friday.

"I hope we can win the next three in Colorado and take our chances coming back after the strike," he said after striking out a career-high 11 batters in eight shutout innings. "It's a shame; I'm starting to throw the ball as good as I am and it's probably my last start of the year - I mean, for a while,

Avery allowed just three hits but intew 118 ditches. So, sitting on a 6-0 lead, he took a seat to start the ninth and watched the thrill-a-minute Atlanta bullpen do what it has done all eason: make a game out of it.

Mark Wohlers started the bottom of the ninth by giving up a walk and two hits, one Kevin Mitchell's RBI single. Mike Stanton came on and hit Hal Morris with an 0-2 pitch to load the bases.

Greg McMichael relieved and got Reggie Sanders to fly out. Lenny Harris hit an RBI grounder before Thomas How- fifth straight loss.

ard doubled sharply to the gap in left-center for two runs. out, and McMichael had his 21st save.

The Reds' third loss in the four-game series cut their lead in the NL Central to a halfgame over idle Houston.

Expos 3, Pirates 2: Moises Alou's three-run homer put visiting Montreal 33 games over .500 for only the second time in franchise history.

John Wetteland pitched the

ninth for his 23d save, striking out Don Slaught to end the

NL ROUNDUP

Steve Avery was looking game with two men on to wrap ahead as far as possible with a up the Expos' fourth straight

> Steve Cooke checked the Expos on two hits until Marquis Grissom singled to start the sixth. Wil Cordero doubled ahead of Alou's 22d homer.

> Giants 5, Cubs 4: Todd Benzinger's pinch-hit homer with one out in the eighth in Chicago ended San Francisco's six-game losing streak.

Rockies 7, Dodgers 6: Charlie Hayes's RBI single capped a beat visiting Los Angeles and ended Colorado's a five-game

losing streak. The Dodgers got a two-run double from Mike Piazza in five-run eighth for a 6-Cardinals 11, Marlins 1: Todd Zeile hit two homers and

drove in a career-high six runs as St. Louis hand Florida its seventh straight loss at home. Mets 3, Phillies 2: Jim Linde-

man homered, doubled and scored twice as New York handed host Philadelphia its

Twins 5, Red Sox 2: Matt

Walbeck capped a three-run

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SIDELINES Indurain to Attempt Record in September

BORDEAUX (Reuters) Tour de France winner Miguel Indurain is to attempt to break the world hour record of Scotsman Graeme Obree in Bordeaux in the first half of September, an official of the Banesto cycling team, Francis

Laffargue, said Tuesday. He said the Spaniard had returned to training Monday.

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Rangers. (NYT) lan McIntosh, the Springbok coach criticized by national officials, said he was ready to step down in the interests of improving South Africa's rugby union

Jack McDowell admitted

that it had crossed his mind that maybe he had just pitched his last game for the Chicago White

If so, it was a fitting farewell as he struck out 10, one shy of his career high, and threw his fifth straight complete game in a 2-1 victory over the Athletics on Monday night in Oakland. Ozzie Guillen, who singled in

scored the winning run on Tim Raines' RBI single. That kept the White Sox one ame ahead of second-place "I don't expect I'll be back,"

Leveland in the AL Central, said McDowell, who has while the A's remained 1½ clashed with White Sox manston pitched a four-hitter as clashed with White Sox manston pitched a four-hitter as clashed with White Sox manston pitched a four-hitter as game ahead of second-place Cleveland in the AL Central, while the A's remained 11/2

the ninth off Ed Vosberg.

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Yankees 6, Orioles 5: Luis
Polonia scored on Randy Ve-

and Oakland three, including a larde's two-out single in the Lofton tripled, doubled and

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AD ASTRUM

McDowell's Striking Farewell to Chisox? fore Friday's strike deadline.

"Definitely, I thought about 6 and halted Baltimore's three-it, not while I was on the mound, but before and after the Mark Eichhorn retired the game, "said McDowell, a 20-

AL ROUNDUP

game winner in each of the past two seasons "It's a possibility, but I don't know whether it's a strong possibility. I feel like we're still going to have time to play baseball" this season. Either way, he figures he is

agement and will become a free

Thursday night contest against bottom of the 11th as New singled, increasing his league-Seattle that is the last one be- York avoided its first three-leading hit total to 159, and game losing streak since July 4- scored once during Cleveland's 6 and halted Baltimore's three-victory in Toronto.

> first two batters in the 11th before walking Polonia. Danny Tartabull was hit by a pitch before Velarde looped his winning single to right-center.

Mariners 14, Rangers 4: Tino Martinez went 3-for-5 and drove in a career-high six runs, with Jay Buhner adding a tworun homer and run-scoring single, as Seattle won in Texas. Angels 6, Royals 1: Tim run seventh as Milwaukee won Salmon homered for the third easily in Detroit.

after 14 consecutive victories. Indians 6, Blue Jays 1: Kenny

of the season, to beat visiting Brewers 12, Tigers 4: John Jaha and Jeff Cirillo each hit three-run homers during a 10-

It was the Brewers first doustraight game and mark cang-ston pitched a four-hitter as California handed visiting Kan-sas City its third straight loss after 14 consecutive victories. homers, off Tim Belcher and reliever Joe Boever.

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Baring the Skull

By Russell Baker NEW YORK — Just when it looked as if Los Angeles had cinched the national nutti-

ness championship, along comes dear old Dixie titillating American lust for the clownish with an uproar about whether a female skull may be shaved bare as a brass doorknob.

Naturally a law court has already had to intervene. Where would American farce be without the courts? With this latest sensation, silliness connoisseurs who lie awake wondering if O. J. Simpson can get a fair trial with only \$10 million to spend on lawyers now face the dawn wondering if Shannon Faulkner can get a fair haircut.

For people who haven't tuned in lately to the mad dogs of talk radio, a summary of the facts: Shannon Faulkner is a young woman recently admitted by court order to The Citadel in South Carolina, an allmale, college-level military

academy.

Boyish hazing rituals are part of what has long passed for an educational program there.

Traditional humiliations include a "knob" haircut for all first-year students, and the school wanted Faulkner shaved as bald as everybody else. Its spokesman says the purpose is to "take every vestige of indi-viduality away from the members of the corps."

Real military boot camps operate on the same theory, the aim being to destroy individual identity and turn unmanageable civilians into efficient soldiers, seamen and Marines.

The justification: In these trades the ultimate purpose is to kill while avoiding being killed. This is serious work best done by highly organized groups of more or less interchangeable human parts. Individuality tends to be a handicap.

Well, after the unwelcome Faulkner was court-ordered into The Citadel, the next question was about her haircut. The school insisted on a full "knob."

man, "part of the Citadel experience" which Faulkner had which Faulkner had rience. told the courts she wanted to

It turned out, however, that she can do without this part of the experience. Women at West Point are indulged with a short. short cut; why couldn't Faulk-ner be? asked her lawyer. For yes, we were back in court again, this time with the judge being asked to apply the Constitution to barbering. "Only in America," as comedians are al-

ways saying. Bumper stickers appeared in Dixie. "Shave Shannon," they said. Male chauvinist swine, not to mention just plain swine of both sexes, were delighted when the judge ruled that the school was "at liberty to treat the hair on her head the same way it treats the hair of every other

Feminists saw injustice. Talk-radio frothers frothed. and are frothing still no doubt, for this is the sort of issue that gratifies the American hunger for passionate emotional outbursts about matters of absolutely no consequence.

There are puzzlements here, though. One is why anybody — not just Faulkner, but anybody - wants to attend a military academy. It is tempting to conclude that such a person — man or woman — deserves whatever is being dished out.

Such contempt must be tempered, however, by the fact that General George C. Marshall, probably our finest soldierstatesman since George Washington, came out of just such a school, the Virginia Military In-

Another question: Doesn't the "knob" humiliate male students as thoroughly as it does Faulkner? Why don't feminists also protest on behalf of these wretched young men? Shouldn't we all? It might even put a little iron in a few of the young male students.

New York Times Service

The Hangover From a Year in Provence

By Sharon Waxman

Washington Post Service
ENERBES, France — Around MENERBES, France — Relate afternoon in the dusty heat of Provence the incessant tak-taking of the cicadas rises from its daytime hum

to an angry evening whir.

Even so, it can't drown out the grousing in the Bar du Progrès when the name Peter Mayle, best-selling author of "A Year in Provence" - the man who made this village famous -

"Mayle?" snorts a tiny old man in a blue beret, sticking his nose back into his pastis. "Alors, don't you talk to me

about that one, eh, non."

The farmers at the bar, their faces burnt brick red and lined with crevices, nod vigorously into their beers.
"Nobody knows him here," the bar-

man, Auguste Gu, finally explains. "He came, he observed, he didn't live with the people. He missed the point. Look, the least he could do was be complimentary. He didn't need to

come here and say it's rotten."
What did Mayle write that was so terrible? "He said the bar was dirty, he said the dogs were full of fleas," says Michel, a worker at the town hall. "He criticized the butcher in Goult," some-Mayle's book, an account of the

British writer's attempt to make a life in the French countryside, has been translated into 17 languages and has sold close to 3 million copies. But if it endeared this countryside to readers around the world, it didn't endear Mayle to the natives.

"Are my glasses dirty? Did you catch fleas in here? Are the toilets really disgusting? Is the area by the window rotten?" rages Henriette Cazaneuve, owner with her husband, Georges, of the Bar du Progrès. "No. Please. If he wrote things that were true, that would be different."

No, Peter Mayle is not very popular in the Bar du Progrès, which he described as "an interior decorator's nightmare." And he isn't too popular anywhere else in this community of 1 100 inhabitants.

Yvonne Dufour, who runs the town's only grocery, found the book "pretty egotistical."

"All he talks about is himself, his stonemason, his plumber, his electrician. He said that we're barbarians because we hunt — here everybody hunts. He earned his money off us, and then he disappeared."



Peter Mayle, the unpopular popularizer of Provence.

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"He brought us tourists that were not at all necessary and he said bad things about Provence," sniffs an elegant shopper who lives in Paris and has a country house in Menerbes. "We were perfectly content, and then he came and made money on our backs."

"What did you learn from this book? That we cat a lot, that we drink a lot, that everything happens slowly," says Mireille André, the Mayles' nearest neighbor. "He may be right. He brings out all the faults of Ménerbes. But he was in his pool and hammock all day long. Let him try a few days of work in the fields."

Indeed, the only people evidently willing to defend Mayle — the author and his wife, Jennie, having fled these parts last fall after six years and too many autograph hunters — are his farmer neighbors, Faustin and Henriette Andre, the big-hearted couple

who figure large in the book and its

"People have to understand, he's a writer," said Faustin, sitting on his vine-trellised porch. He adds, as if in explanation: "We are as we are."

After the book came out in England in 1989, it was the English who came in droves, waving copies of the book, and -as the writer describes in "Toujours Provence" — inviting them-selves into the Mayles' living room. This year it's the Japanese, who have bought more than 600,000 copies of

'A Year in Provence" since spring. At the Bar du Progrès, Cazaneuve has sold out his stock of 150 copies of the French-language version, published this year, in which Mayle changed the names of the characters. "Don't confuse commerce with per-sonal feelings," Cazaneuve explains. And what of the other characters? Where is Antoine Massot, the ill-tempered hunter with the morbid jokes, the ferocious dogs and the recipe for fox? What of Menicucci, the philosopher-plumber with thoughtful observations such as, "Do you know that at any given moment during any day in the month of August there are 5,000

people making pipi in the sea?"

Don't ask. Massot, the village eccentric and a semi-recluse, is nowhere to be found. Menicucci, now retired, has an unlisted number and will never forgive Mayle for making him famous. What has Mayle to say about the

havoc he has wreaked? The writer, who is now in the Bahamas finishing a book about a dog, has no comment.

His agent, however, protests in his place. There is a core of complaint, but it is not necessarily objective, says Abner Stein, Mayle's hterary representative in Britain. "He didn't move to Provence to exploit the area. He didn't even move there to write the book. He went there to write a novel Peter simply loves France, and he had been saying for years that when he had resources to do it, he'd go back to France and live there, which is exactly what happened."

At base, it seems to be an enormous cultural misunderstanding. What Mayle meant as gentle humor, the

locals took as insult.

For some Mayle was too kind.

"People here will smile at you for two
or three days until you spend a maximum of your money, then they laugh behind your back," says Antoine Court de Gebelin, a native of Paris who owns a hotel in nearby Lacoste. After 25 years here, he says, he is still considered a foreigner.

"It's true what's in the book, We've

been waiting for a carpenter to finish our cabinets for seven years. And I've changed carpenters three times."

Whatever the reality, Mayle has put his house up for sale and, Stein says, is deciding where he wants to live.

Meanwhile, at the gray flagstone house separated from the road by rows of grapevines and cherry trees, a real estate agent shows the bare interior to a French couple and their son.

Are they aware of the risks of owning this house? The husband briskly
nods. Then he purses his lips, annoyed
at the intrusion.

It wouldn't be the last. At the other end of the driveway two French cy-clists pause and peer toward the house. "Peter Mayle?" they ask hope-

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Golden Janet Jackson Catches Up to Aretha

Janet Jackson has proved she deserves a little R-E-S-P-E-C-T. at least as much as Aretha Franklin. Jackson has tied Franklin for the most gold single records (more than 500,000 copies sold) by a female artist, with her 14th gold single, "Any Time, Any Place." The single holds the record for most weeks - 10 - at the top of Billboard's R&B chart ... Meanwhile, Michael Jackson and his wife, Lisa Marie Presley, left Budapest aboard a private plane early Tuesday, avoiding reporters and photographers. Where next?

Superstar George Michael has relaunched his battle to free himself from his record compaay, filing an appeal in London of a High Court decision that had effectively bound him to Sony until the year 2003. Michael and the son an chael's lawyer said royalties from sales of his records had earned Michael \$25 million between 1988 and 1993, compared to \$145 million for Sony.

The Walt Disney company has denied that it had used material from a 1960s Japanese cartoon series for its box-office hit "The Lion King." "Their cartoon did not influence our film at all," said a spokesman, Howard Green, referring to the series inspired by the late Ozama Tezuka's "The Jungle Emperor." Green said the stories were "completely differ-ent." Both center on orphaned lion princes — the Disney character is named Simba, the Japanese is Kimba - who lose their crowns to a wicked adult lion and then reclaim their thrones.

President Nelson Mandela will receive the Anne Frank Medal for helping steer South Africa away from apartheid, the Anne Frank Foundation in Amsterdam said Tuesday.

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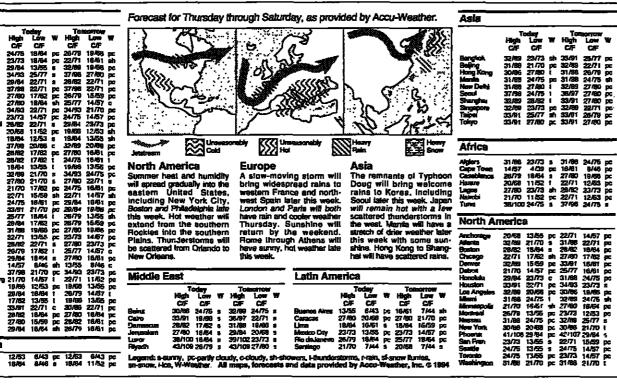
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